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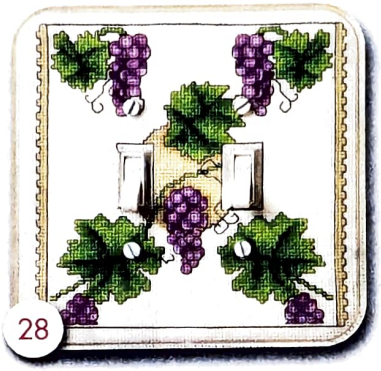
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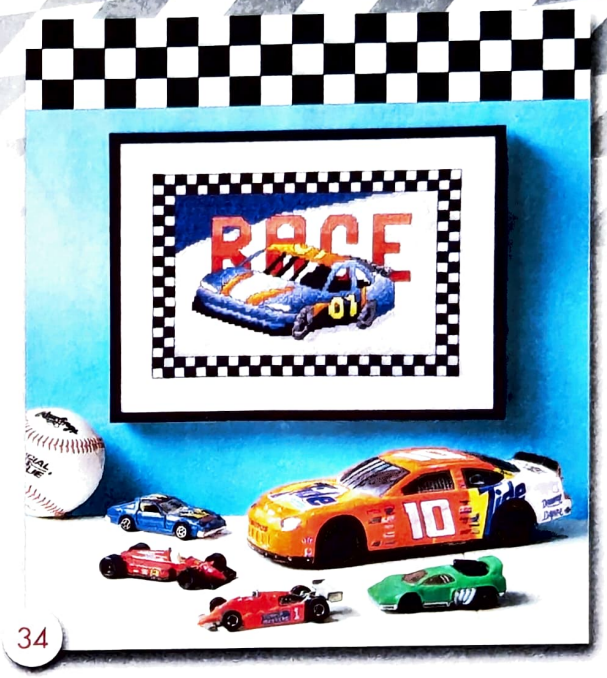

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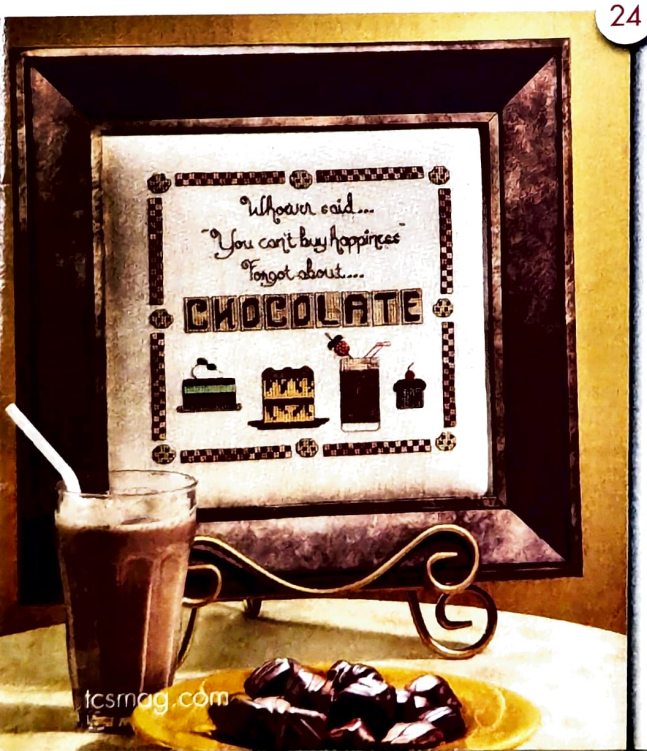

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Karen Smith, Editor

Let's Chat!

Yeah!!! The weather is warmer and the flowers are blooming. Best of all, the daylight hours are longer with each passing day. This means that I can sit on my porch and guess what I do? I stitch. I bet that doesn't surprise you at all.

For years I have been reluctant to take my stitching outside because of the possibility of getting it dirty especially from my hands. But I have found a wonderful gadget that will help me keep my stitching cleaner.

I saw Debbie of DebBee's Designs at a trade show and she showed me the best way to save my stitching from my dirty, oily hands. Debbie showed me something she called a Bar Buddy. It is a soft, stretchy and reusable cover that you stretch around your stitching. It is made by an organization called Arkansas CARES (a nonprofit prevention and treatment program). Each buddy is manufactured and packaged by the women in treatment at Arkansas CARES. Just go onto Debbie's website DebBeesDesigns.com and see exactly what this gadget is. I think you will really want to order at least one size right away.

Now that I have steered you to my latest find, I'm off to stitch while sitting on my back porch smelling the fragrant flowers and watching the birds at my bird feeder.

Have a sun filled summer.

Karen S. Smith

Karen Smith

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STITCHING TIPS AND TRICKS

Here are just a few clever tips from stitchers just like you.

Organize Your Supplies

I'm the kind of person who has to start more than one project at a time. Having all of my threads and needles around is very confusing so I came up with a way to better organize all of my supplies while I'm working on my projects. I use my kid's plastic pencil holder box that easily snaps shut to put my supplies in. Then I take a piece of tape and write the design I'm working on and tape it onto the box. That way I know all of my threads, needles, scissors, and even beads are all together and it is very easy to travel with. Just put it in a bag and go. Absolutely no mess! When I'm done I can resume it for another project. It works great.

Joy
Nathalie, VA

Storage for Floss Scraps

I used to watch two little girls and would feed them baby food. The food comes in these great recloseable plastic containers. So I thought I could recycle them for my floss scraps. I found that they work great! Because of the lid you can pop them into your project bags.

When you travel with your project, do don not have to worry about floss scraps in the bag. They do not take up much room on your work table also. In fact in the local shop where I go to sit and stitch, we have them on the table so that the other stitchers can take advantage of them.

Tamra
NPR, FL

Mark Your Chart

I am a self-taught cross stitcher but one of the things that really help me is to hi-light each square as I stitch it so I don't lose track and in turn, make errors.

Sandra
Jackson, MI

Floss Storage

I use the "Floss-a-way" bags to store my floss skeins. Then each series of 100 n umbers I put on metal O rings and store in labeled containers.

When I start a new project, I pull each bag and put them on a ring. Then get an extra-large storage bag and insert the graph, fabric, needles, scissors, and ring of floss into the bag so everything is in one place.

I also keep track of my stitching hours to including in my stitching journal. I also take a picture of each completed project to include in the journal.

Jere
Leavenworth KS

Share

My tip is share magazines and ideas with your neighbor.

George
29 Palms, CA

Chart Marker

My favorite tip is a package of post-it-notes. I found these to be very useful to mark the spot where I am stitching on the chart. I use them as a guide on the page as I am stitching. Also, when I pack up my chart or leave it a while, I can use a sticky note and know where I am when I come back to my stitching. When you are finished, there are no marks on the page so if you want to use it again, you are able.

Juli
Victorville, CA

Record of Projects

I keep a record of all the projects I have done. I write what kit or if design is from a magazine, design title, page number. I indicate the date I began and completed the project, who I gave it to, and any color change I've made. Finally, I take a picture of each completed project to include with the information about the project. This is put into my Cross-Stitch Portfolio.

Vicki
Poland, ME

If you have a tip or trick that you would like to share with other stitchers, send a letter containing your tip or trick to TIPS AND TRICKS, PO Box 178, Dallas Center IA 50063. If your letter is chosen to appear in the magazine, you'll receive a FREE one-year subscription to The Cross Stitcher magazine.

Are you missing the luxury of warm, relaxing baths? Well, grab your towel!

NEW

By John Fleming

For many of us, nothing is more relaxing than a long, luxurious bath. Unfortunately, because of safety concerns, many people, particularly older people, have to forego this simple pleasure. Sure, you can spend big bucks to remodel your bathroom to provide a bathtub you can use, but who wants to do that? Now there's a better way, and it lets you use the bath that's in your home today.

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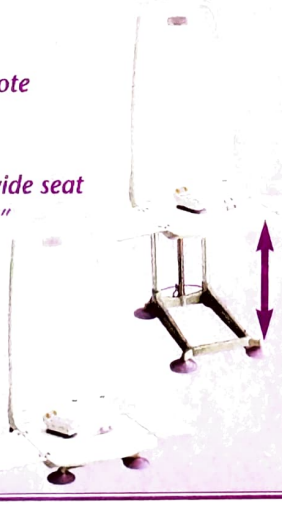

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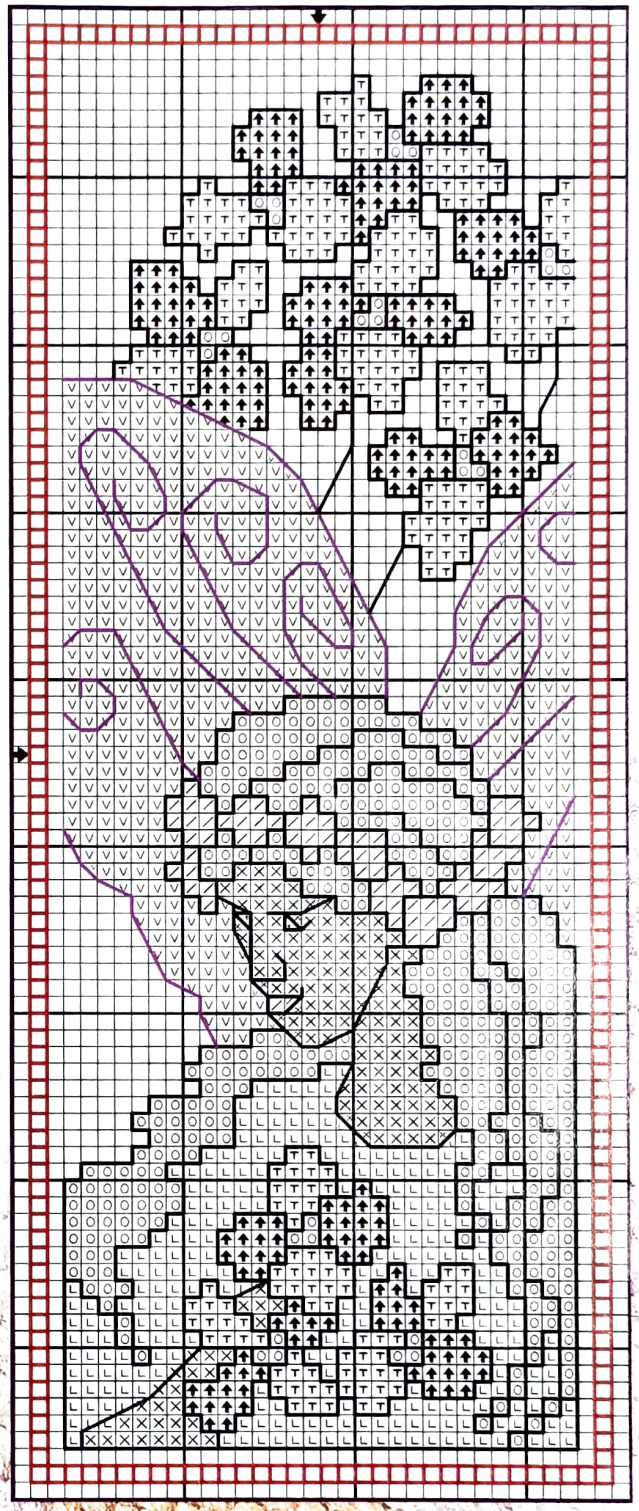


Supply List
9" x 13" Ivory 28" Monaco Evenweave – Charles Craft
6-strand Embroidery Floss – DMC
6-strand Color Variation Embroidery Floss – DMC
#4 Braid – Kreinek Mfg. Co., Inc.

Cross-stitch: 2 strands Floss or 1 strand #4 Braid
Backstitch: 2 strand Floss
Four-sided Stitch: 2 strands Floss
Hemstitch: 2 strands
Instructions: Stitch design centered on fabric over two threads. Hemstitch all sides next to four-sided stitch. After hemstitching all sides, remove nine horizontal threads from top and bottom of piece to form fringe. Trim sides next to hemstitch.

DMC		
948	X X	Peach, Vy. Lt.
3713	L L	Salmon, Vy. Lt.
3743	V V	Antique Violet, Vy. Lt.
Kreinik #4 Braid 092	/ /	Star Pink
DMC CV4010	↑ ↑	White/Gray
DMC CV4090	O O	Yellow/Peach
DMC CV4220	T T	Blue/Lavender
		Backstitch
451		Shell Gray, Dk.
Kreinik #4 Braid 9294		Periwinkle
		Hemstitch
DMC CV4220		Blue/Lavender

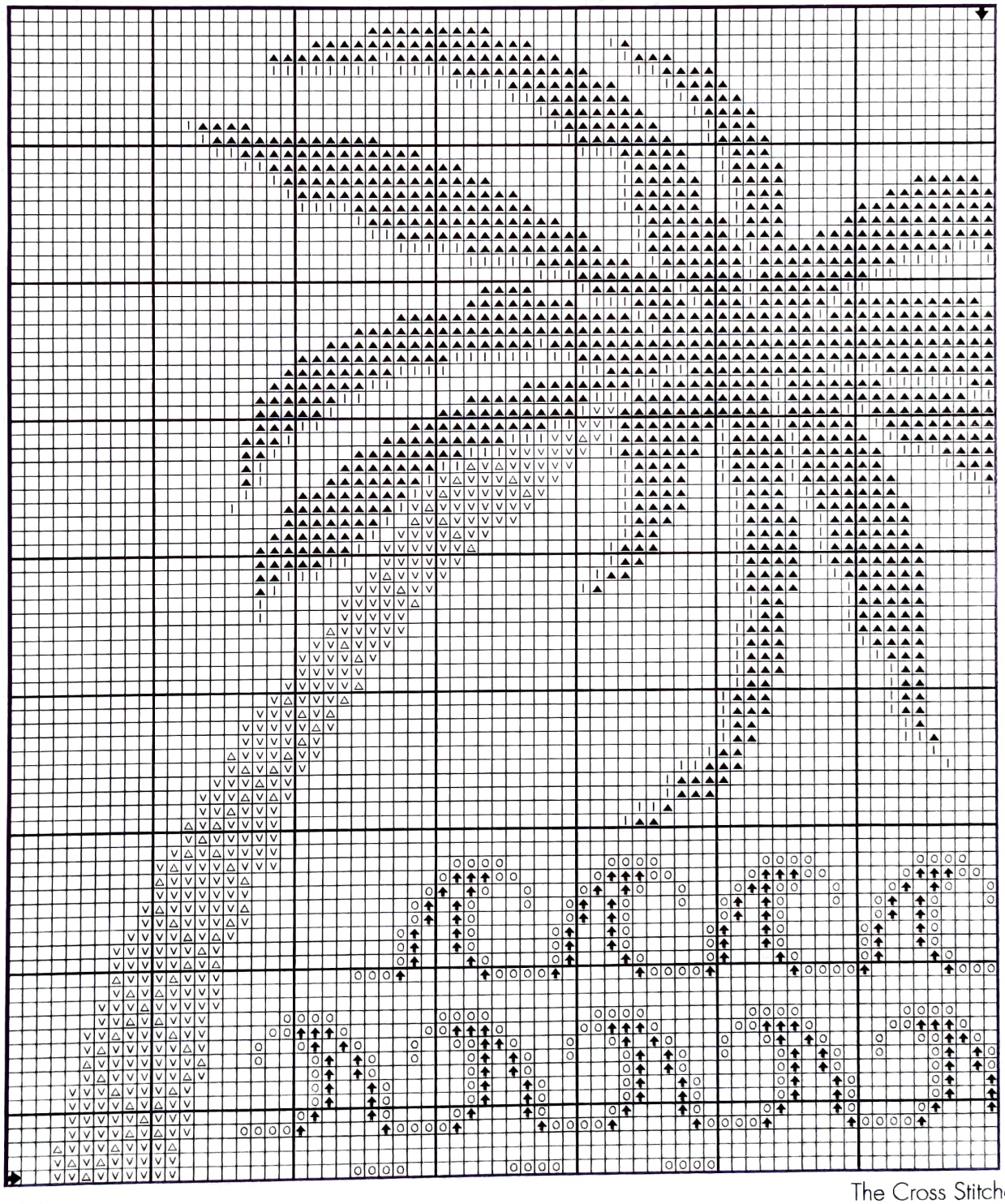
Stitch Count: 34 w x 87 h
Approximate Finished Size: $2^3/_8$" w x $6^1/_8$" h

cool chick

Cool Chicks Beach Tote

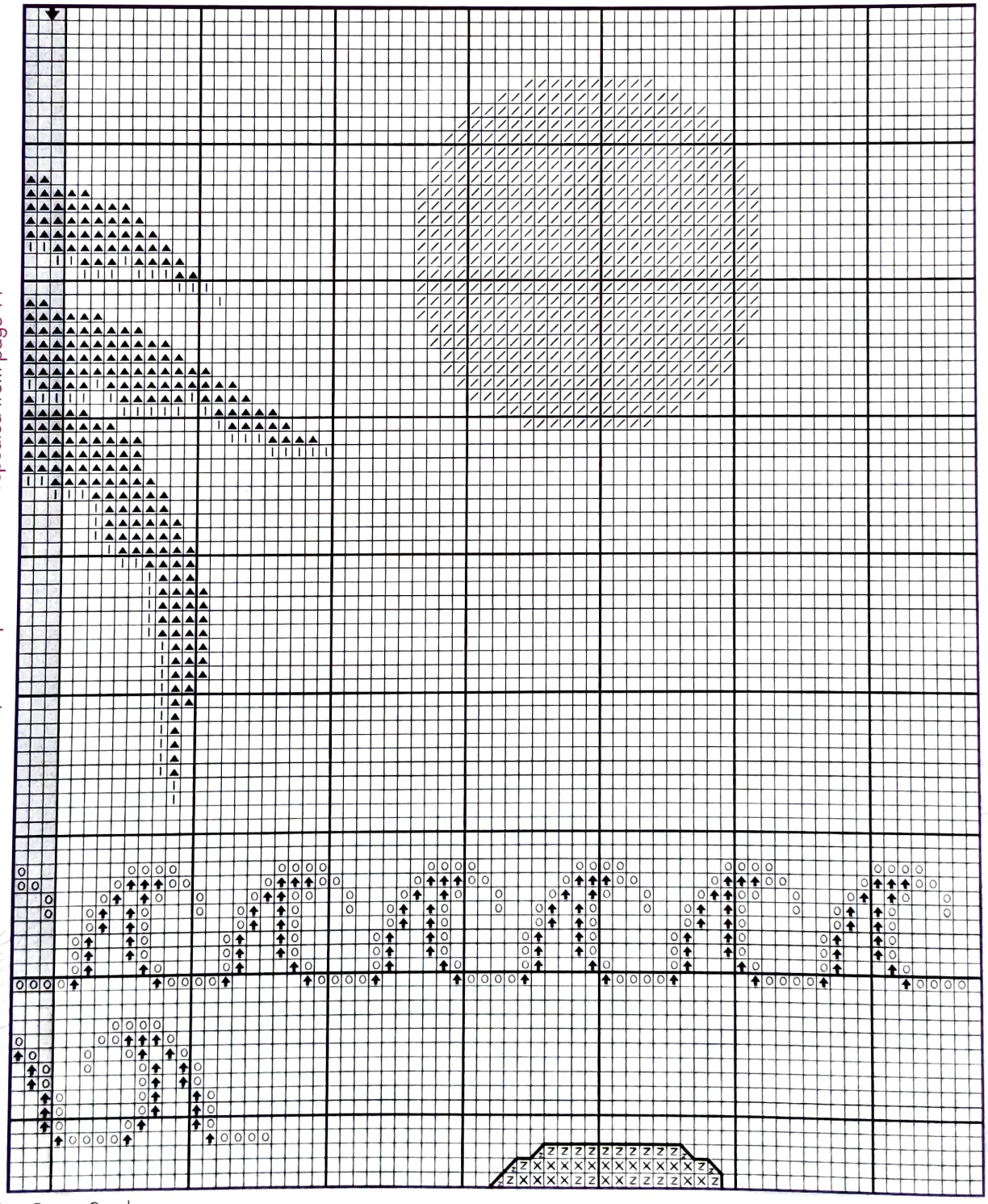
Design by Lois Winston
Courtesy of Charles Craft

Summer is here and the beach is calling. Put your towel, book, and sunglasses in this tote and off you go ready for the day. Oops! Don't forget the sun tan lotion.



Supply List
Polar Ice Bright Ideas Shoulder Bag
- Charles Craft
6-strand Embroidery Floss – DMC

Cross-stitch: 2 strands
Backstitch: 1 strand
Instructions: Stitch design 2 5/8" from side seam and 1½" from top.



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DMC			
White	•	•	White
310	+	+	Black
603	∩	∩	Cranberry
718	⊥	⊥	Plum
951	T	T	Tawny, Lt.
975	Z	Z	Golden Brown, Dk.
977	X	X	Golden Brown, Lt.
995	↑	↑	Electric Blue, Dk.
3776	△	△	Mahogany, Lt.
3777	V	V	Terra Cotta, Vy. Dk.
3818	I	I	Emerald Green, Ultra Vy. Dk.
3844	O	O	Bright Turquoise, Dk.

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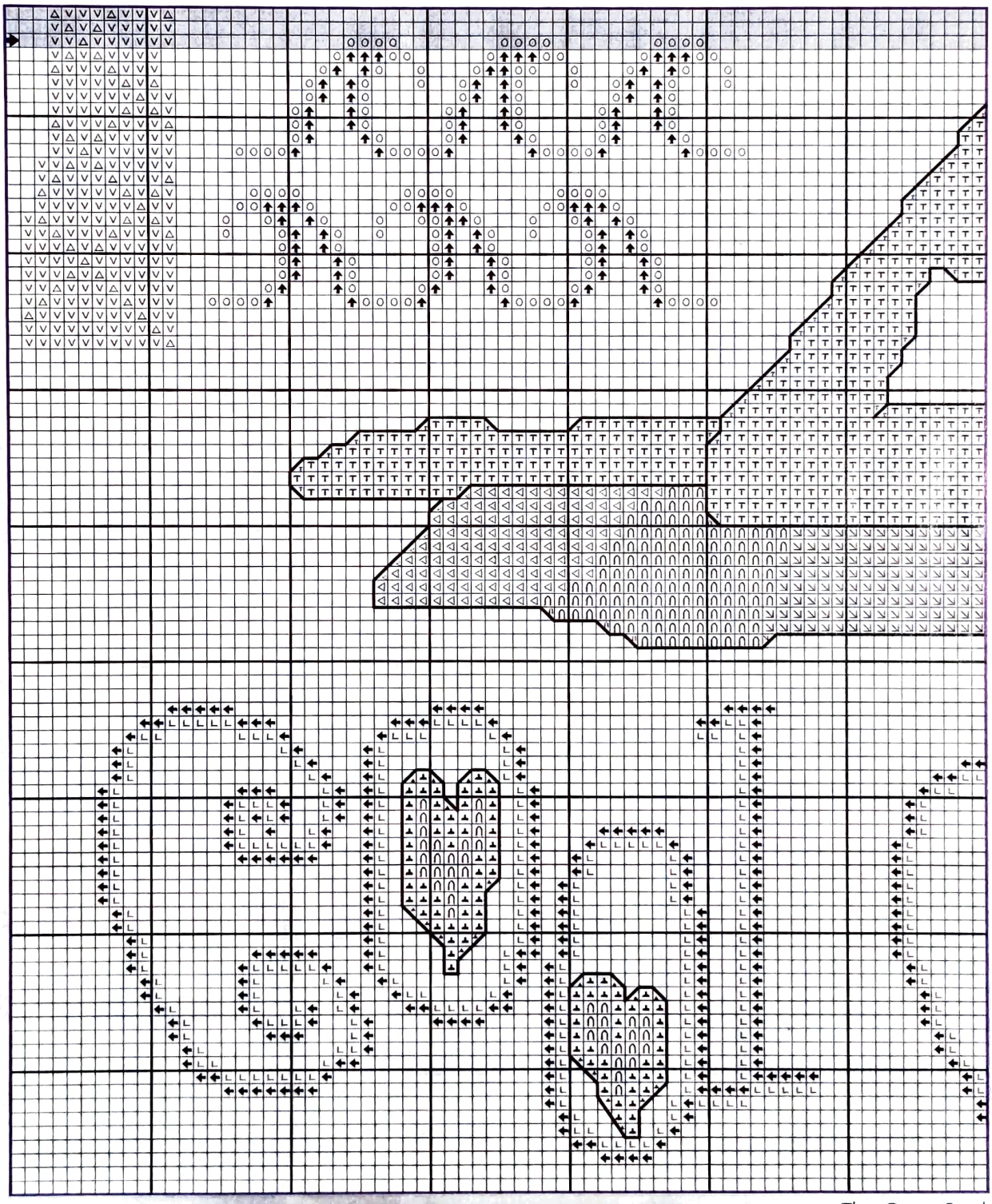

3850	◁ ◁	Bright Green, Dk.
E980	/ /	Neon Yellow
E990	▲ ▲	Neon Green
E995	← ←	Rouge Tomato
E1024	L L	Rose Orange
E1026	– –	Bleu France
E1055	↘ ↘	Violet
310	▙	Backstitch Black

Stitch Count: 136 w x 167 h

Approximate Finished Size: $9^5/_8$" w x $11^7/_8$" h

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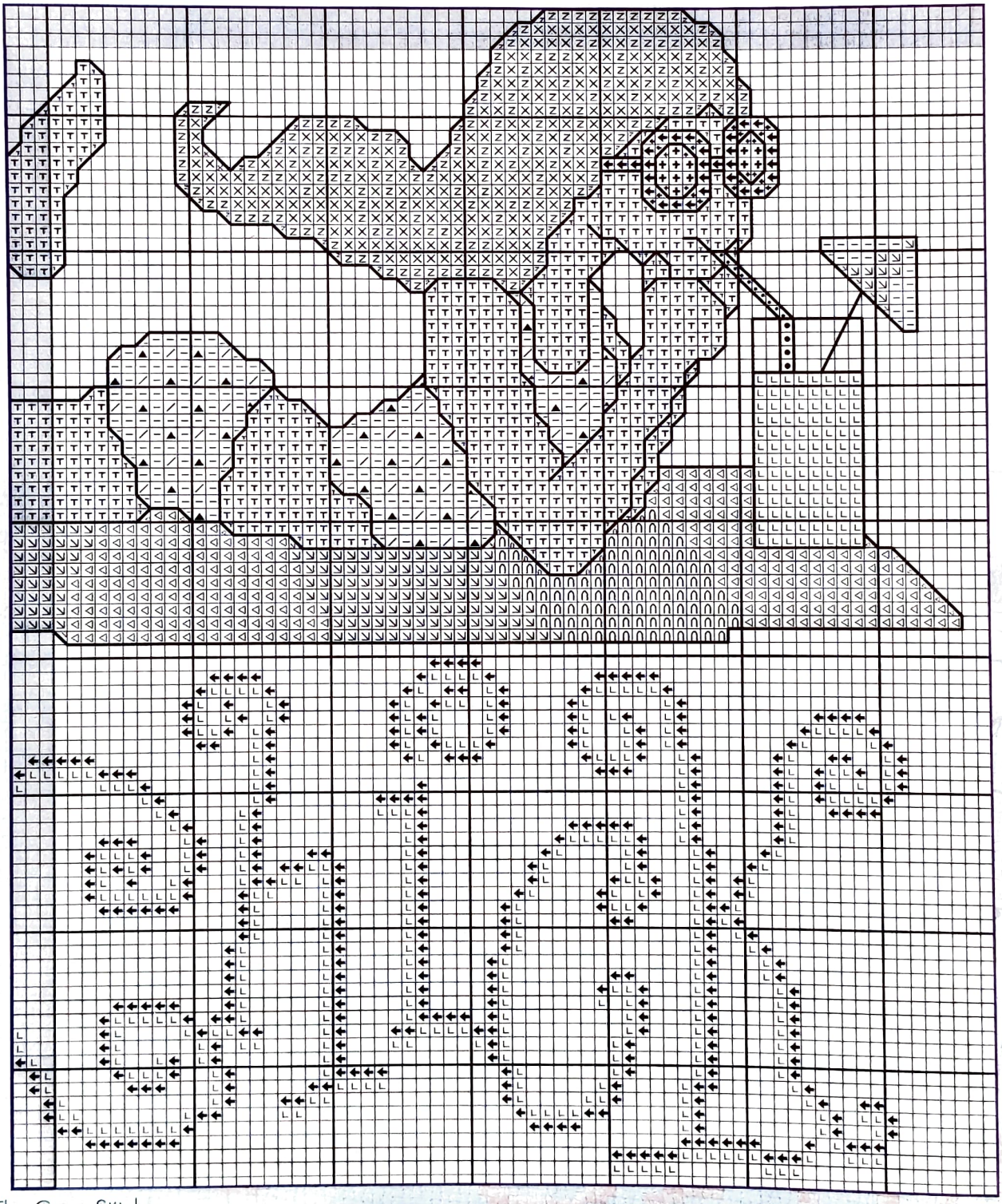

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Four Seasons

Design by Roberta Belanger of S. P. INK

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10" x 9" Navy Blue 14-count Aida
10" x 10" White 14-count Aida (3 pieces)
6-strand embroidery floss - DMC
Frame – Stephen's Frame Shop (515) 953-2100

Cross-stitch: 2 strands
Backstitch: 1 strand
Instructions: Stitch design centered on fabric.

DMC		
304	∩∩	Christmas Red, Med.
307	– –	Lemon
310	○○	Black
333	××	Blue Violet, Vy. Dk.
434	◢◢	Brown, Lt.
552	△△	Violet, Med.
606	←←	Bright Orange-Red
677	⊥⊥	Old Gold, Vy. Lt.
699	▮▮	Christmas Green
703	TT	Chartreuse
722	◢◢	Orange Spice, Lt.
740	♠♠	Tangerine
743	▷▷	Yellow, Med.
911	↘↘	Emerald Green, Med.
912	‖‖	Emerald Green, Lt.
959	LL	Sea Green, Med.
972	++	Canary, Dk.
976	◇◇	Golden Brown, Med.
996	ıı	Electric Blue, Med.
3033	vv	Mocha Brown, Vy. Lt.
3761	••	Sky Blue, Lt.
3818	››	Emerald Green, Ultra Vy. Dk.
3846	↑↑	Bright Turquoise, Lt.
Ecru	zz	Ecru
B5200	◂◂	Snow White
Backstitch		
304		Christmas Red, Med.
310		Black
434		Brown, Lt.
606		Bright Orange-Red
722		Orange Spice, Lt.
740		Tangerine
743		Yellow, Med.
976		Golden Brown, Med.

Stitch Count: Approximate 55 w x 52 h

Approximate Finished Size: 4" w x 3¾ h

STITCHING TIPS AND TRICKS

Floss Bobbins

Mark floss bobbins with the symbol used on the chart as well as the color and number. When colors are blended, keep a threaded needle on a marked scrap of cloth so that it is handy when needed.

Margery
Sidney OH

Saving My Needles

I have been stitching for over 50 years and always use a multitude of threaded needles. I never knew what to do with the needles until I started using a scroll frame. I took leftover Aida fabric and stitched it around the side bars. The needles go in and stay until needed.

Carole
San Jose, CA

Storage of Finished Projects

I use the cardboard insert from a roll of paper towels that I wrap with acid free tissue paper to store my completed stitched projects. After I clean and press the finished project, I roll it up and store it on the cardboard roll. I write on the roll what the project is and then store them in a tote until I have the need to give someone a gift or I am ready to have it professionally frame.

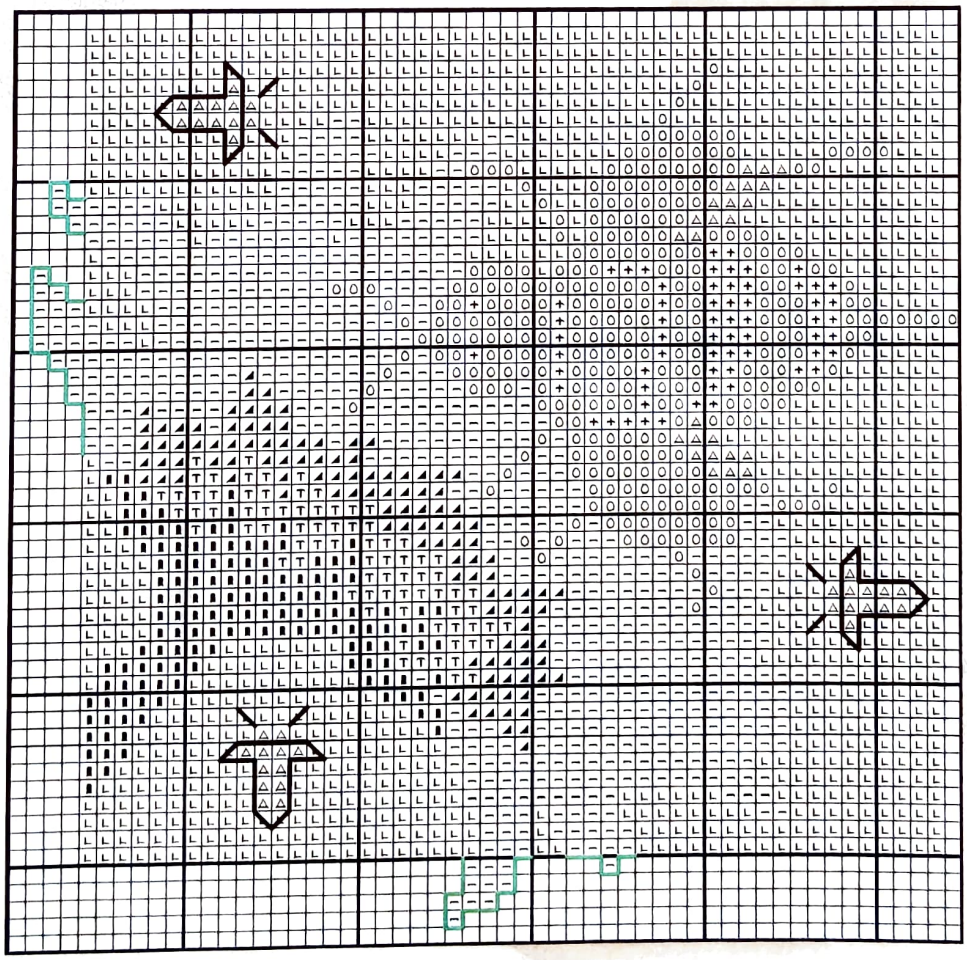
Bridget
Las Vegas, NV

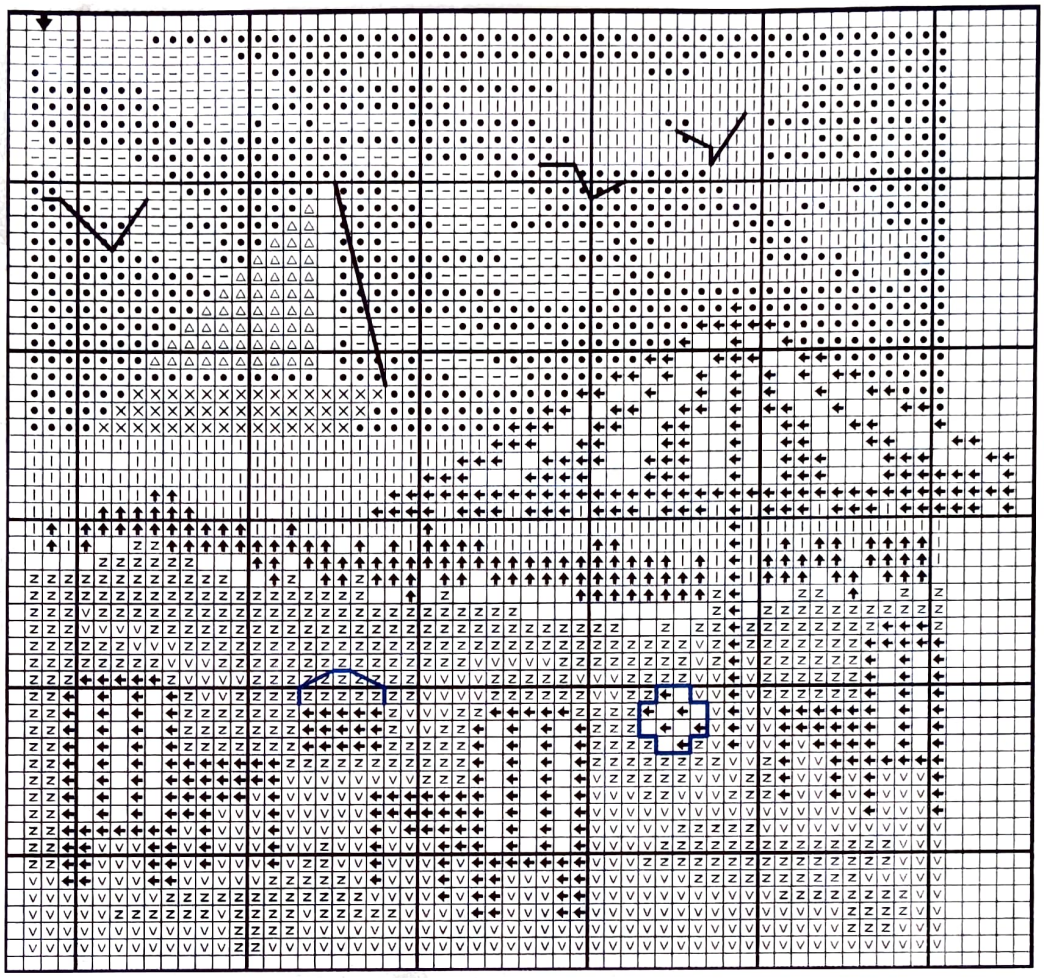
Clean Charts

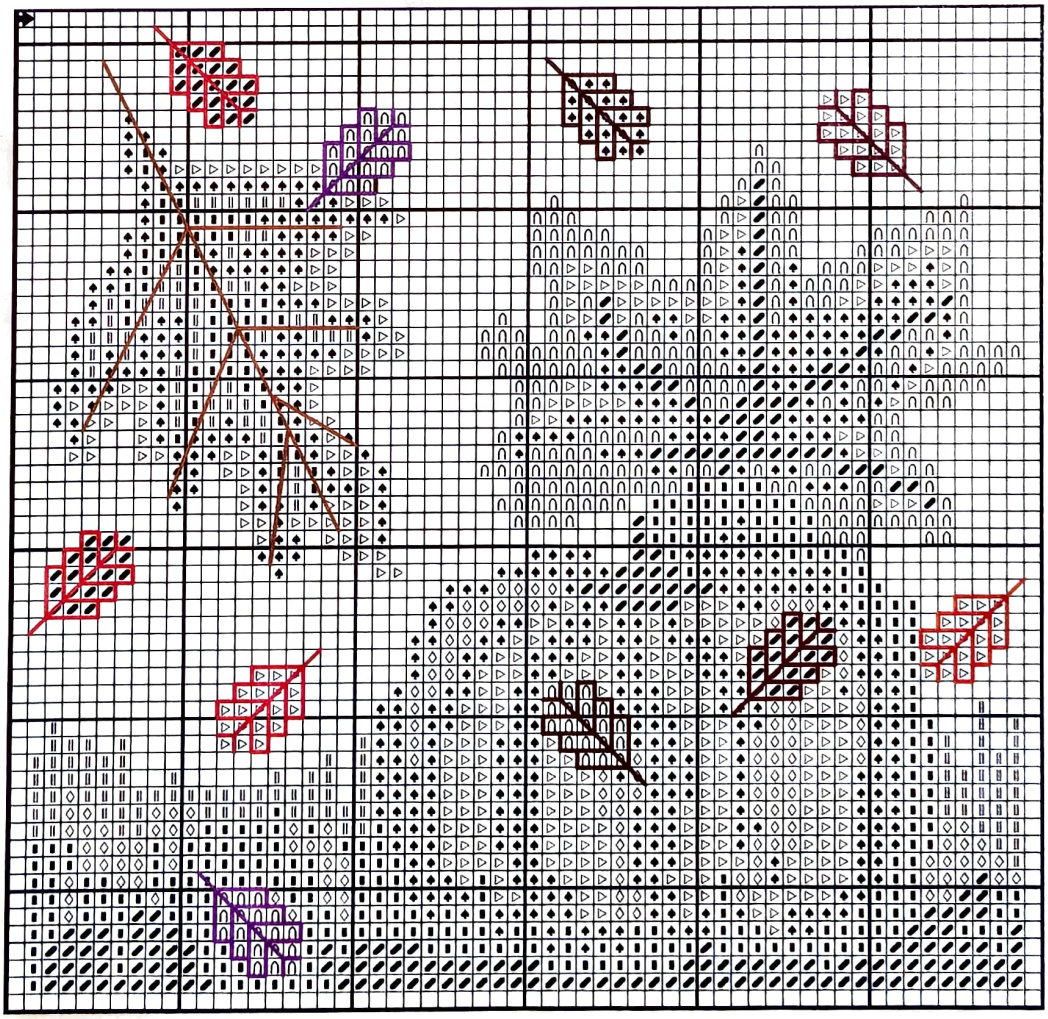
To make my patterns easier to handle and to keep them clean and free from folds and wrinkles, I place them in clear plastic sleeves designed for a 3-hole notebook. Several can be store in each sleeve. They are easy to read.

By the way, you can also place your needles (safely stuck in a piece of scrap material) into the sleeve. My needles don't get lost this way.

Mariene
Troy, PA







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Sweet Home

Token and Trifles

Gift Tags

Design by Lynda Orme

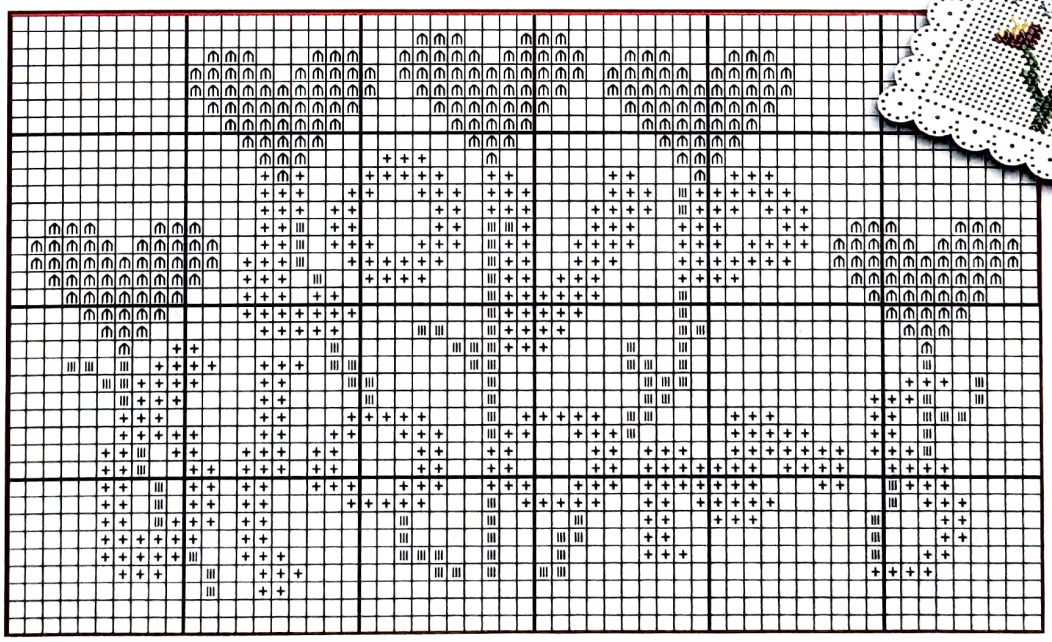
Supply List

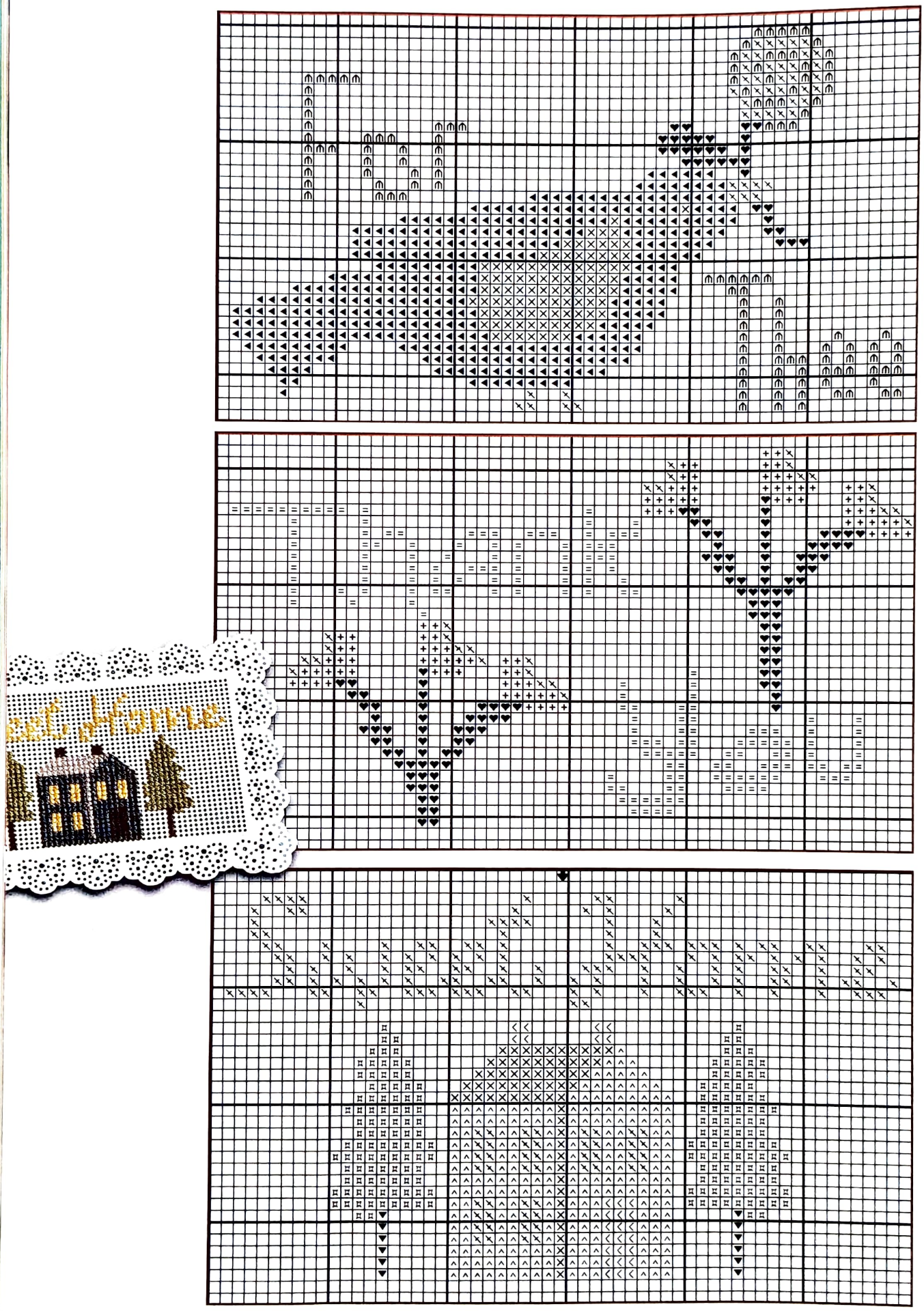
Petals Rectangle Tokens and Trifles
20-count Perforated Sewing Card
– Kreinik Mfg. Co. Inc.
6-strand Silk Mori – Kreinik Mfg Co., Inc.
6-strand Silk Mori Milkpaint
– Kreinik Mfg Co., Inc.

Cross-stitch: 1 strand
Instructions: Stitch design centered on perforated paper.

Silk Mori		
4063	♥	Medium Holly
6127	+	Very Dark Dusty Lavender
Milkpaint 0324	⋂	Medium Cameo
0414	≡	Medium Hemlock
0424	⌘	Medium Thyme Green
0515	^	Dark Tidewater Blue
0523	×	Light Portsmouth Blue
0534	=	Dark Chesapeake Bay Blue
0553	◄	Medium Colonial Blue
0715	▼	Dark Pecan
0724	⨯	Medium Wheat
0815	<	Dark Flint

Stitch Count: 59 w 32 h
Approximate Finished Size: 4¼" w x 2⅓" h





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New Walk-In Tub is affordable and easy to install

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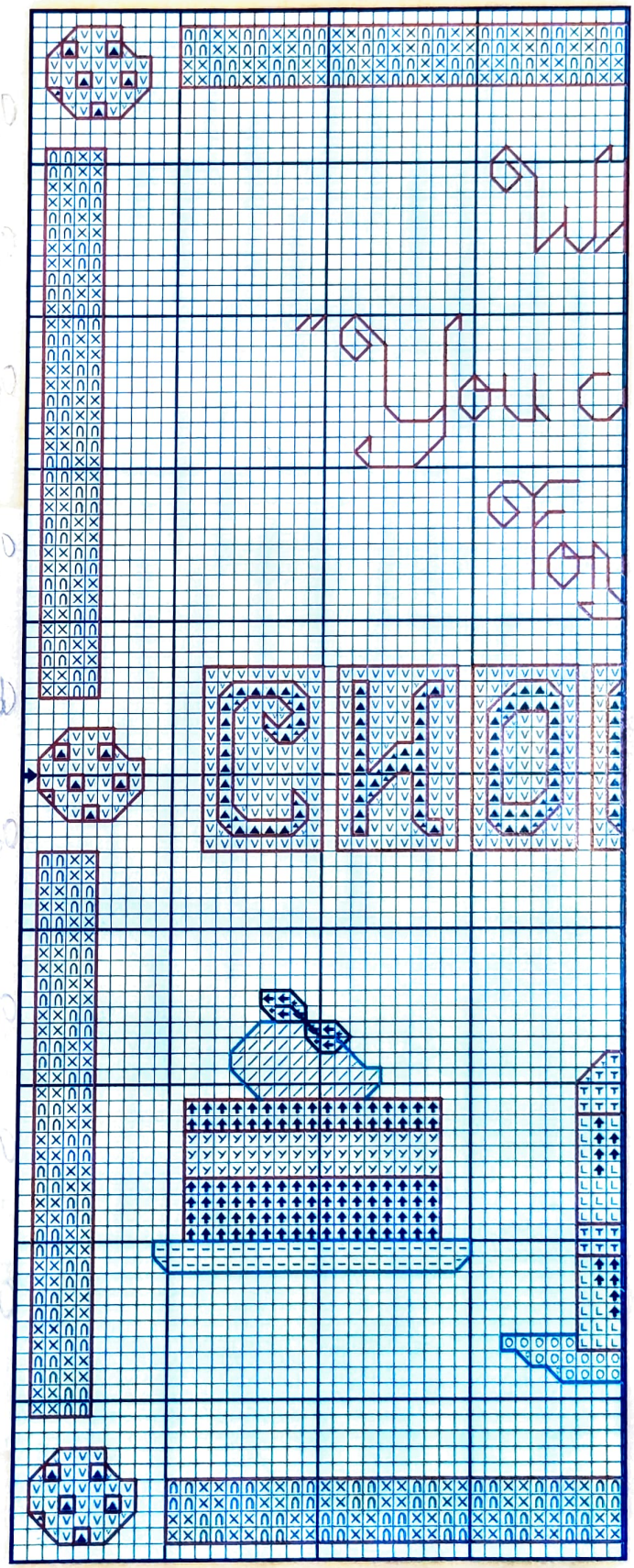
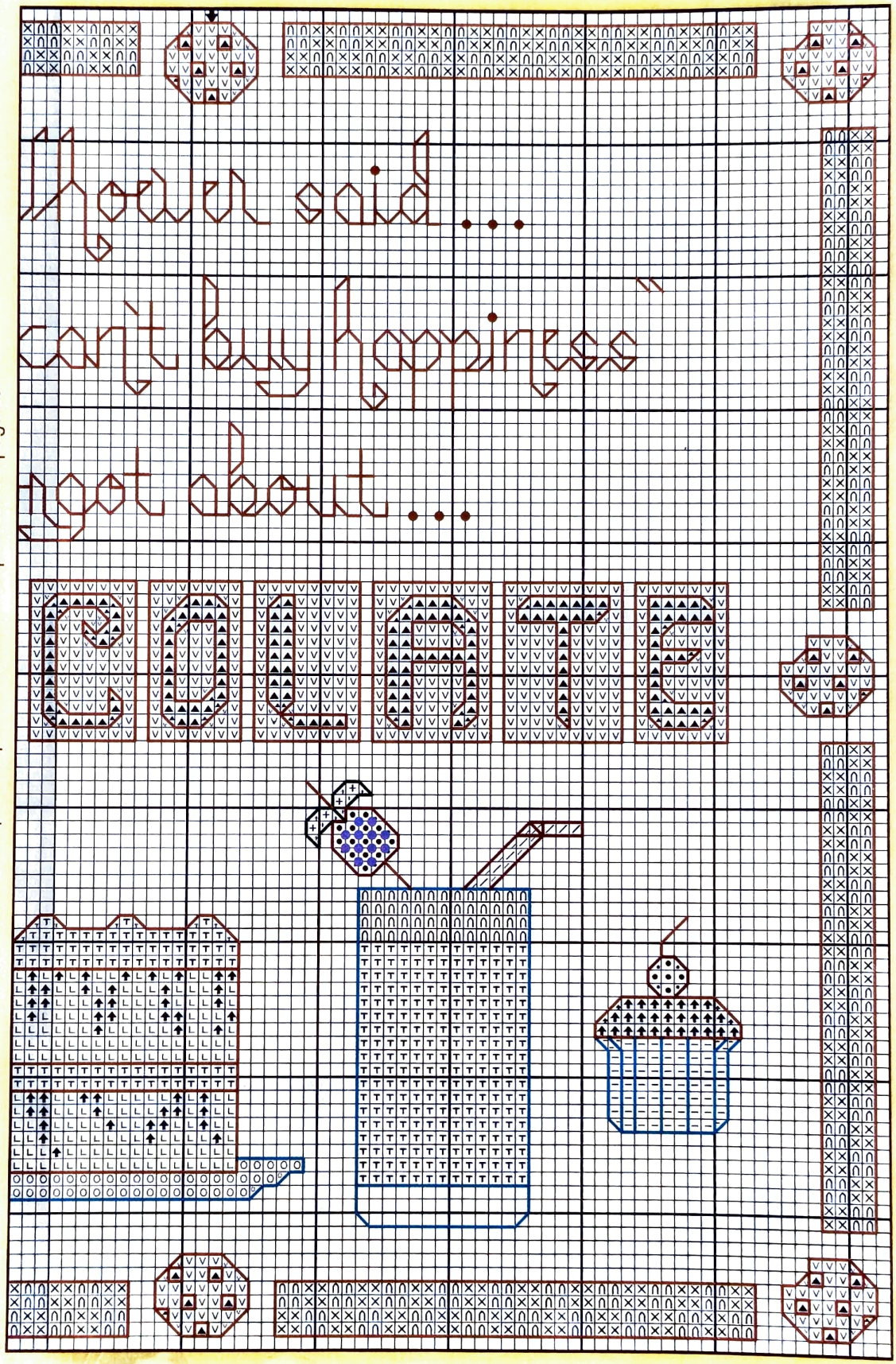
Happiness

Supply List
14" x 14" Fairy Dust 28-count Lugana
6-strand Embroidery Floss – DMC
6-strand Sampler and Shaker
Embroidery Floss – The Gentle Art
Frame – Stephen's Frame Shop
(515) 953-2100
Cross-stitch: 2 strands
Backstitch: 1 strand
French Knot: 1 strand wrapped two times
Instructions: Stitch design centered on fabric over two threads.

DMC	
318	Steel Gray, Lt.
319	Pistachio Green, Vy. Dk.
320	Pistachio Green, Med.
413	Pewter Gray, Dk.
498	Christmas Red, Dk.
676	Old Gold, Lt.
966	Baby Green, Med.
3031	Mocha Brown, Vy. Dk.
White	White
Sampler	
1110	Sable
1150	Flax
1170	Dark Chocolate
1180	Fudge Ripple
Shaker	
7046	Weathered Barn
DMC	French Knot
676	Old Gold, Lt.
3031	Mocha Brown, Vy. Dk.
DMC	Backstitch
318	Steel Gray, Lt.
319	Pistachio Green, Vy. Dk.
413	Pewter Gray, Dk.
498	Christmas Red, Dk.
3031	Mocha Brown, Vy. Dk.

Stitch Count: 101 w x 98 h
Approximate Finished Size: 7⅛" W X 7" H





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Switch Plate Covers

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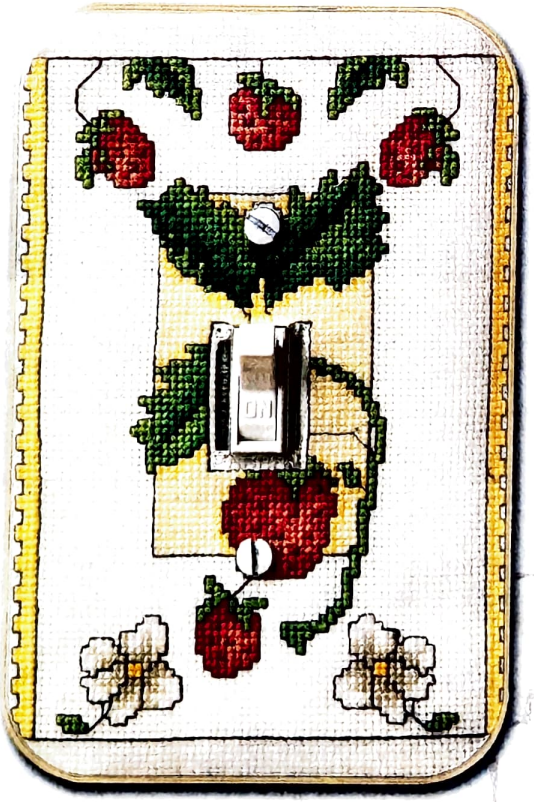
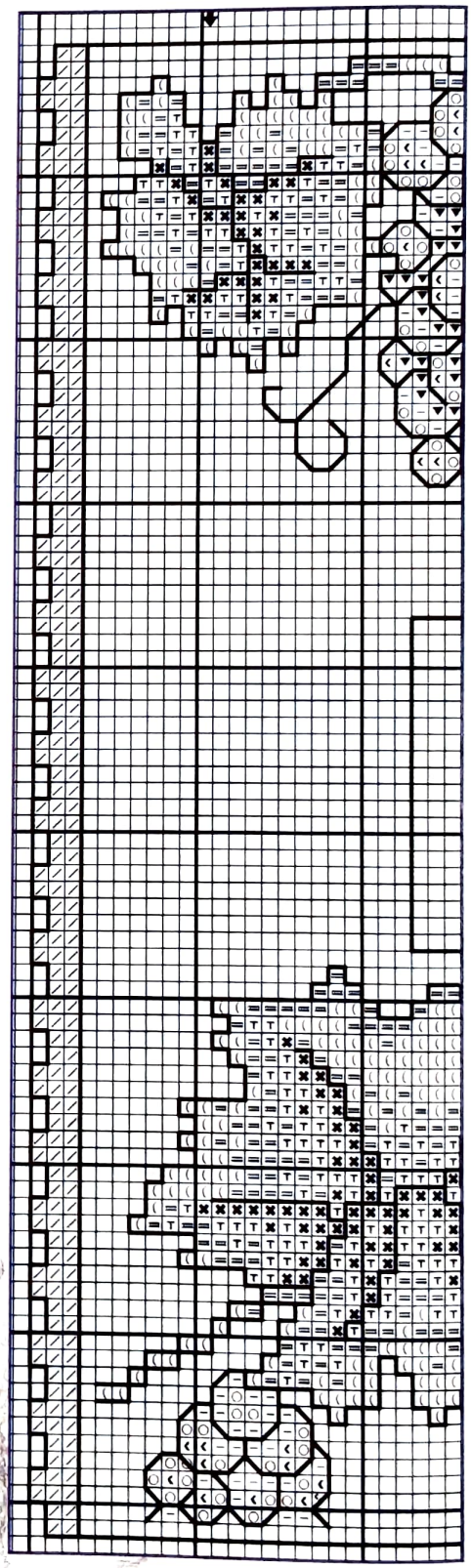
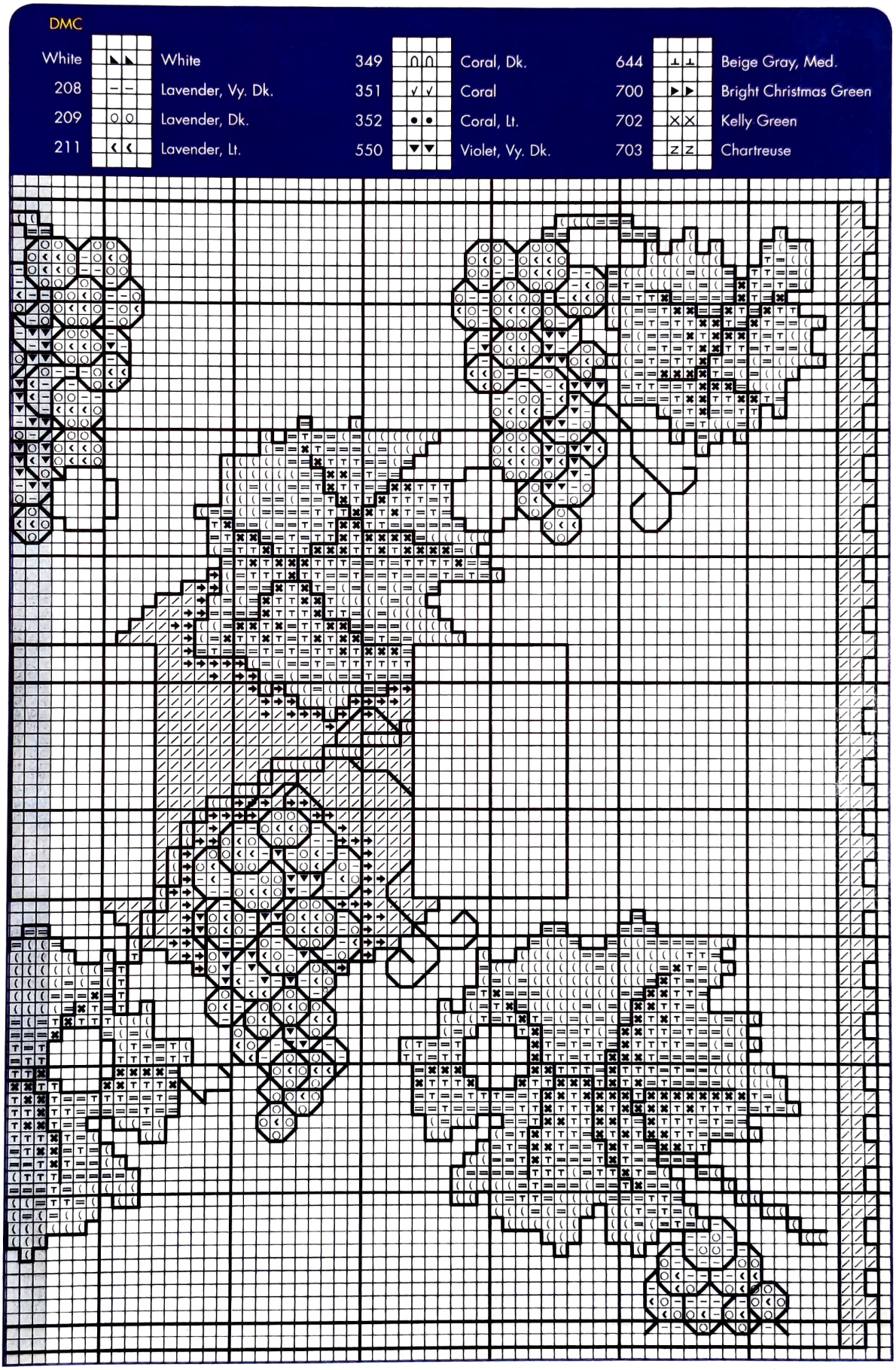




Supply List
White 18-count Aida
6-strand Embroidery Floss - DMC
Single or Double Switch Plate Cover – Daniel Enterprises

Cross-stitch: 2 strands
Backstitch: 1 strand
Instructions: Stitch design centered on fabric. Finish following switch plate manufacturer's instructions.



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704	Bright Chartreuse
725	Topaz
744	Pale Yellow
822	Beige Gray, Lt.
904	Parrot Green, Vy. Dk.
905	Parrot Green, Dk.
906	Parrot Green, Med.
907	Parrot Green, Lt.
3046	Yellow Beige, Med.
3047	Yellow Beige, Lt.
3823	Yellow, Ultra Pale

Quarter Stitch

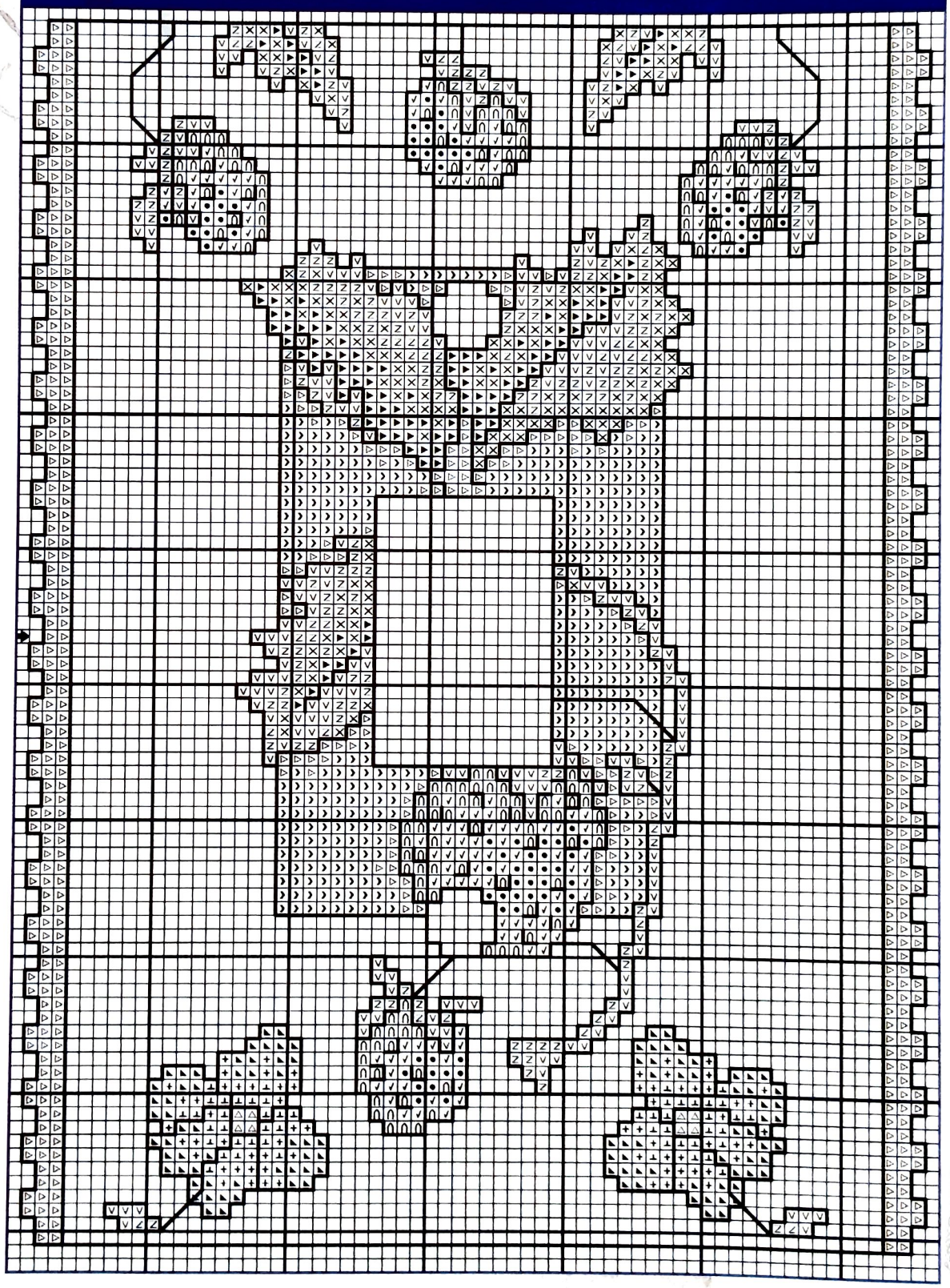
209	Lavender, Dk.
211	Lavender, Lt.

Backstitch

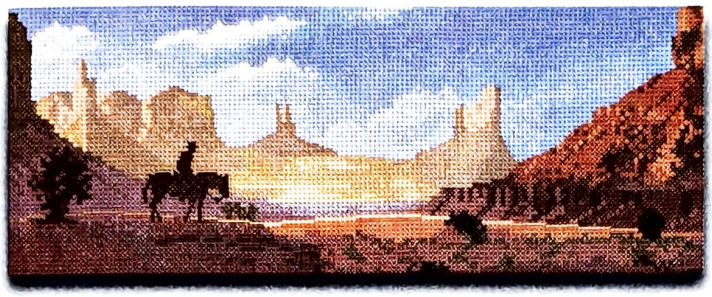
3799	Pewter Gray, Vy Dk.

Stitch Count:
Single – 65 w x 90 h
Double – 90 w x 90 h

Approximate Finished Size:
Single – 3⅞ w x 5" h
Double – 5" w x 5" h



John Clayton
cross-stitch charts



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HC614	$18.50	**$16.95**

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Item	Retail	AA*
JRX021	$6.50	**$5.95**

FLOSS PACK
Contains 6 skeins of DMC® cotton embroidery floss and 3 skeins of Gentle Art Hand-Dyed Threads.

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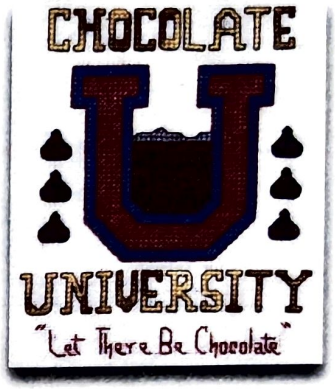

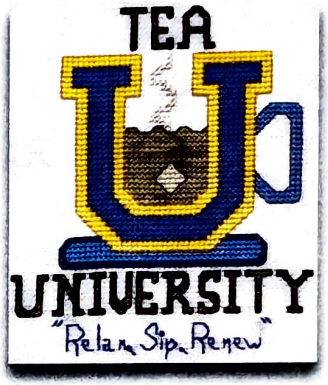

TEA UNIVERSITY
The chartpack contains chart, stitching instructions and color key. The design is about 4⅛" wide x 4¾" high, when stitched on 28-count White Jobelan (Sold separately).

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JRX022	$6.50	**$5.95**

FLOSS PACK
Contains 10 skeins of DMC® cotton embroidery floss and 2 skeins of Gentle Art Hand-Dyed Threads.

Item	Retail	AA*
FPJRX022	$9.49	**$5.49**

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Item	Retail	AA*
JRX023	$6.50	**$5.95**

FLOSS PACK
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Item	Retail	AA*
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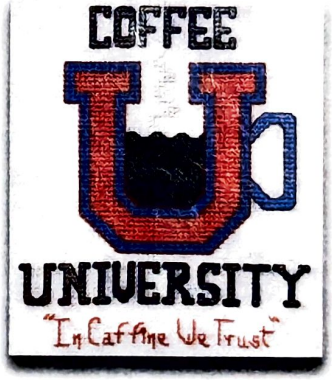

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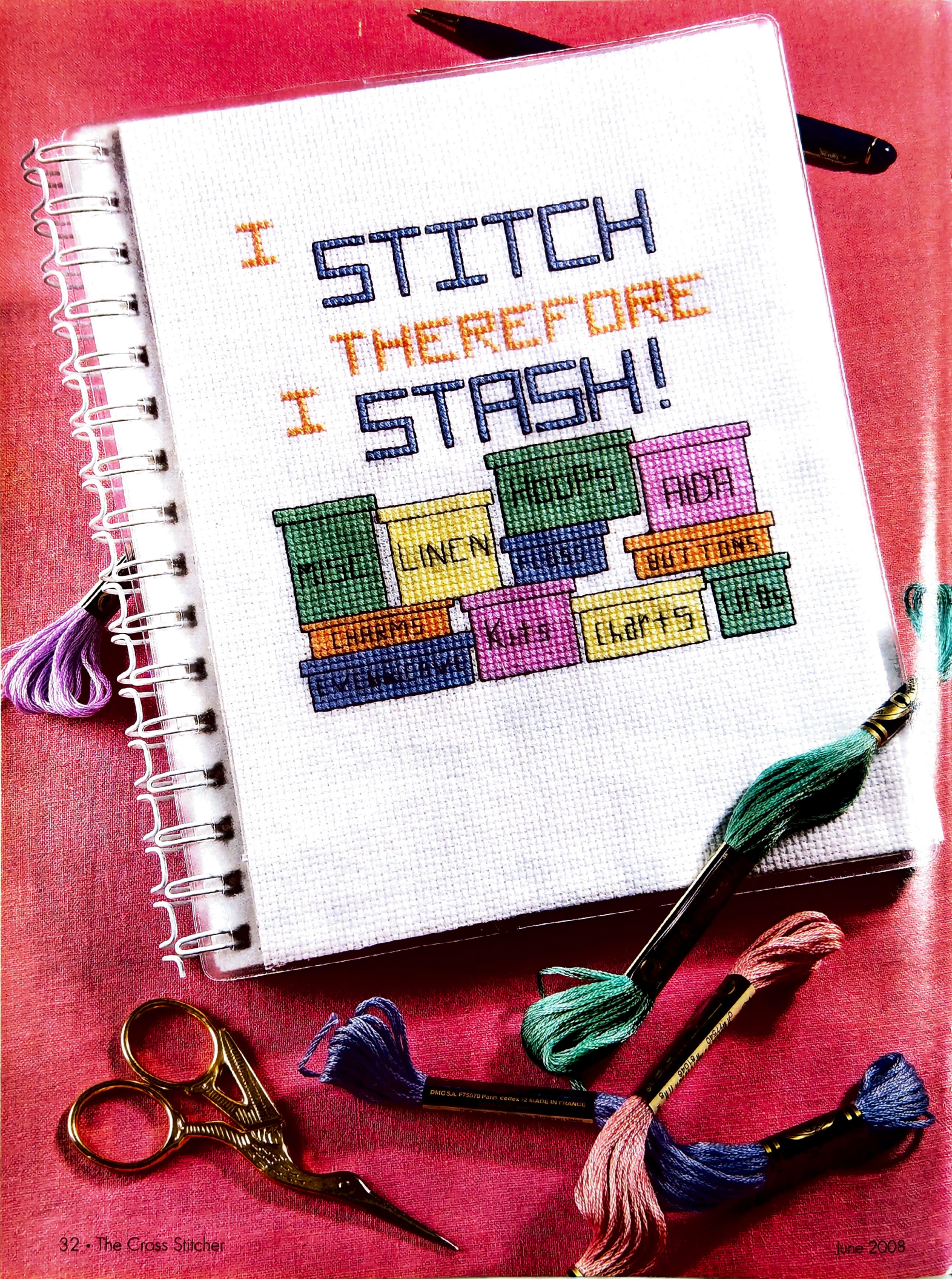
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DMC		
563	▲▲	Jade, Lt.
809	XX	Delft Blue
3078	//	Golden Yellow, VY. Lt.
3609	77	Plum, Ultra Lt.
3825	••	Pale Pumpkin
310	▙	Backstitch Black

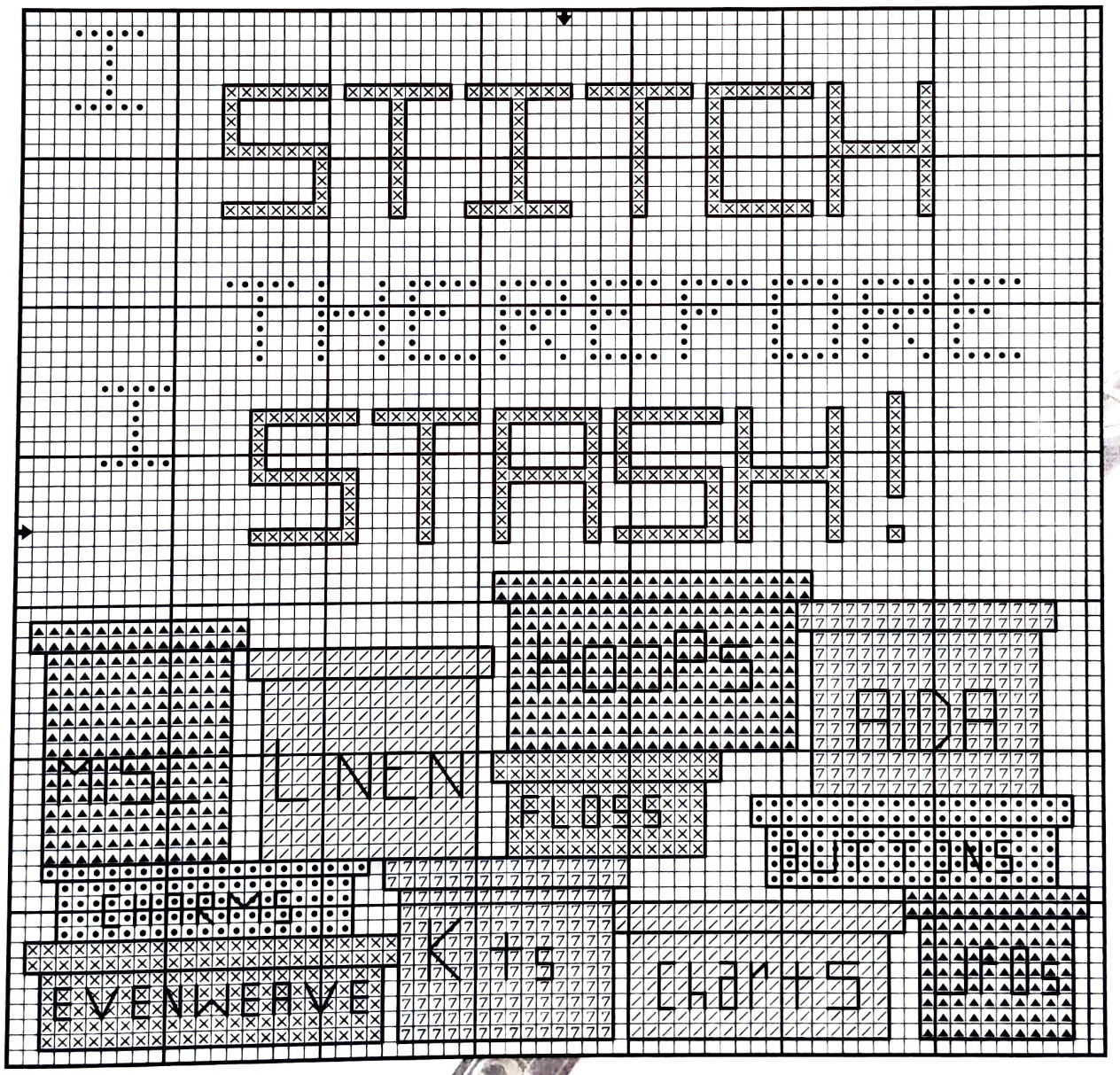
Stitch Count: 69 w x 68 h

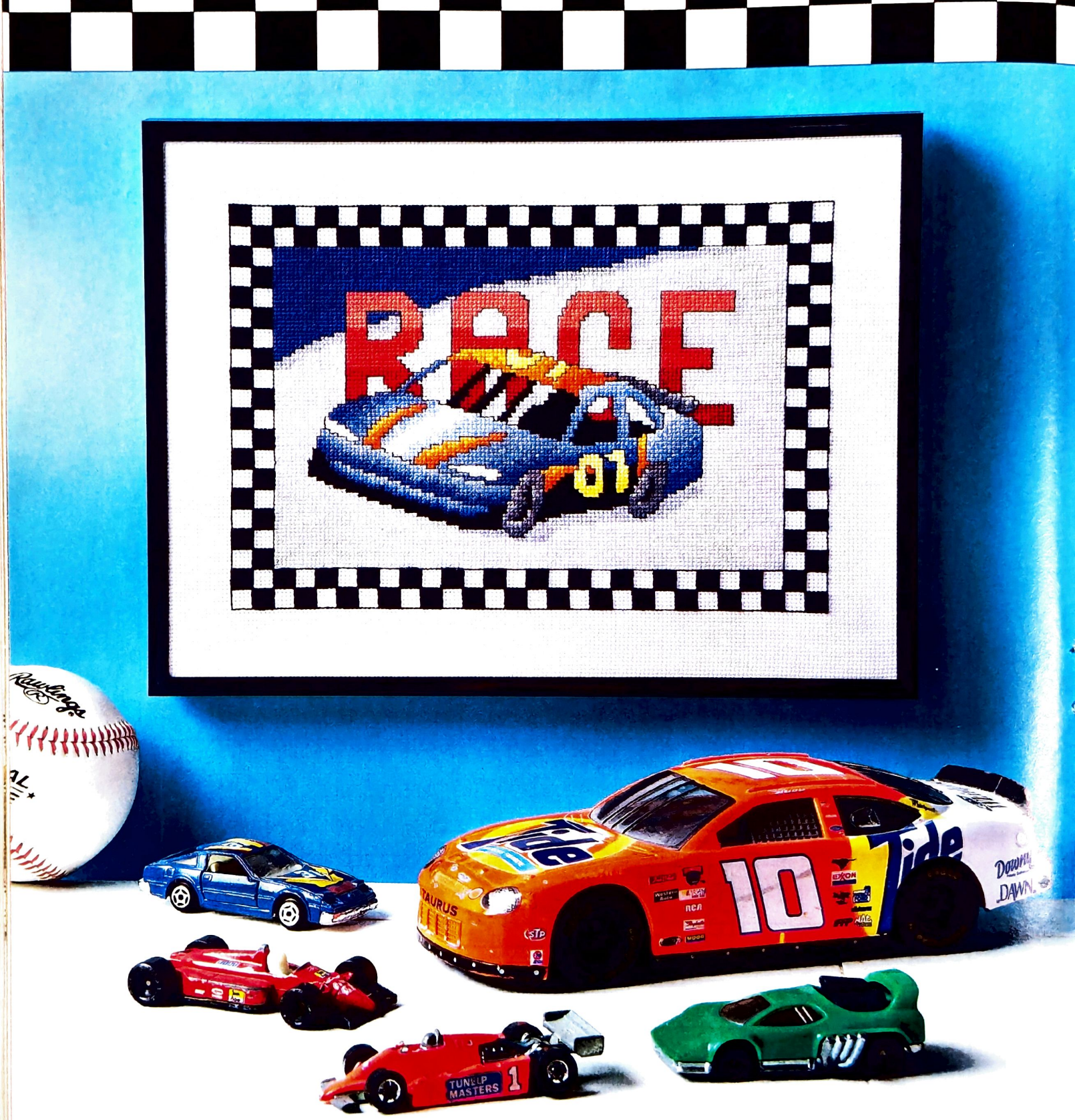
Approximate Finished Size: $4^{7}/_{8}$" w x $4^{3}/_{4}$" h

Supply List

11" x 11" White 14-count Aida
6-strand Embroidery Floss –DMC
MyBook Journal – Per Annum, Inc.
Iron-on Interfacing

Cross-stitch: 2 strands
Backstitch: 1 strand
Instructions: Stitch design centered on fabric. Trim to same size as journal front cover and iron-on interfacing to back of stitched fabric. Insert into journal.





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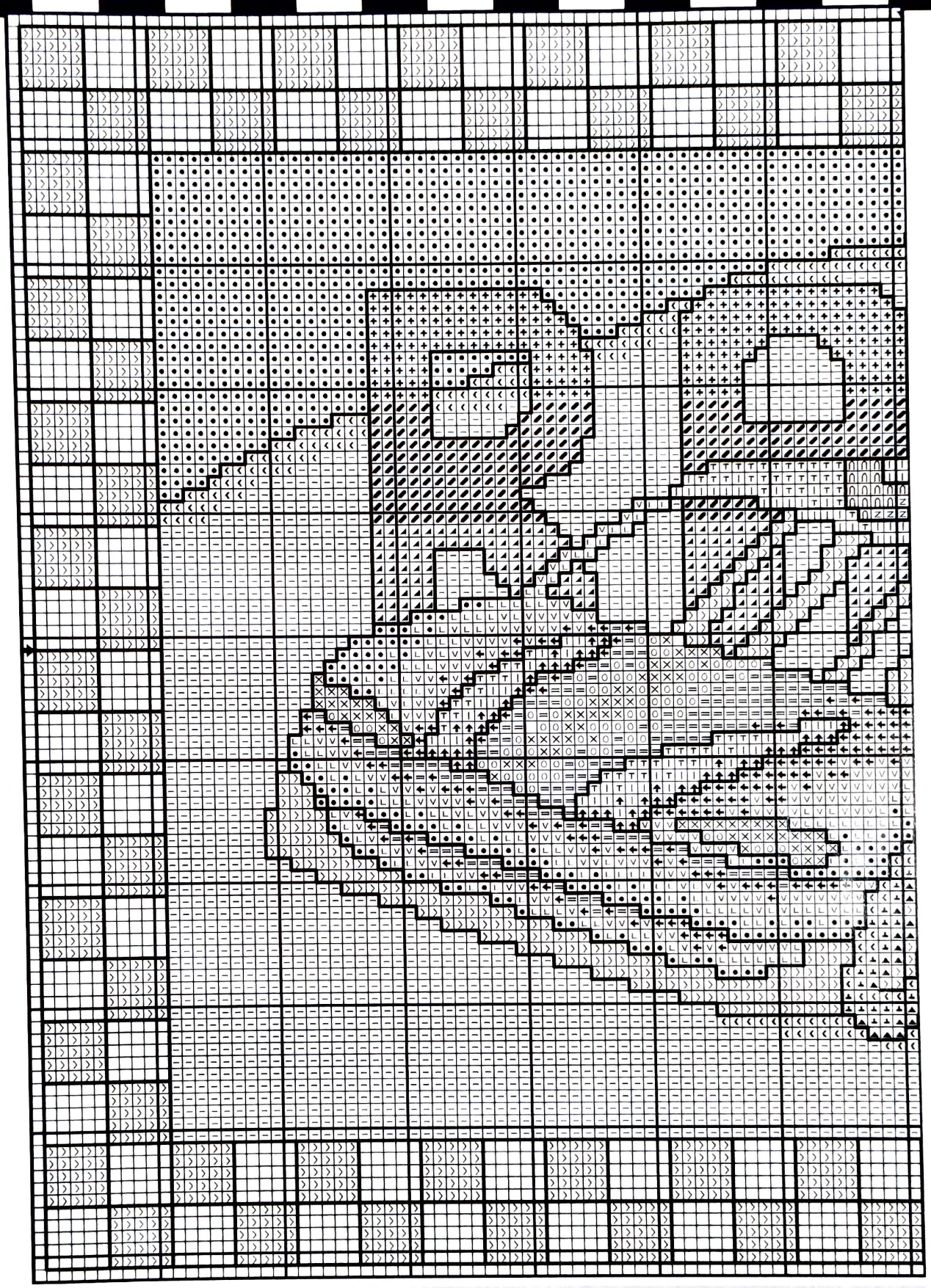
Design by Mike Vickery

Supply List

14" x 12" White 18-count Aida
6-strand Embroidery Floss – DMC
Frame – Stephen's Frame Shop (515) 953-2100

Cross-stitch: 2 strands
Backstitch: 1 strand
Instructions: Stitch design centered on fabric.



DMC		
310		Black
317		Pewter Gray
350		Coral, Med.
352		Coral, Lt.
414		Steel Gray, Dk.
415		Pearl Gray
726		Topaz, Lt.
727		Topaz, Vy. Lt.
740		Tangerine
742		Tangerine, Lt.
762		Pearl Gray, Vy. Lt.
797		Royal Blue

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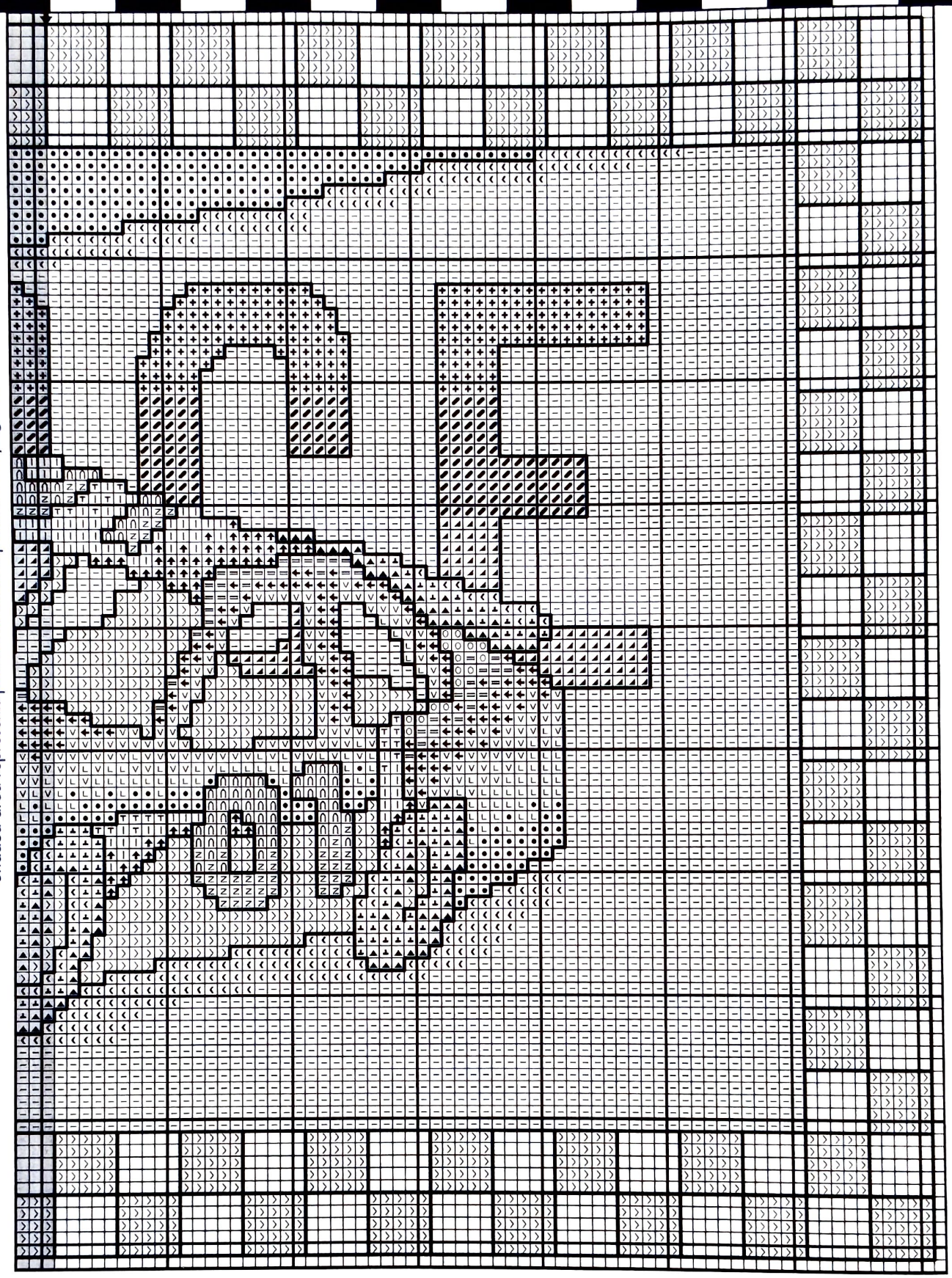

798	LL	Delft Blue, Dk.	817	◢◢	Coral Red, Vy. Dk.	3799	Backstitch Pewter Gray, Vy. Dk.
799	VV	Delft Blue, Med.	947	↑↑	Burnt Orange		
800	═	Pale Delft Blue	3756	OO	Baby Blue, Ultra Vy. Lt.		
809	←←	Delft Blue	White	XX	White		

Stitch Count: 140 w x 100 h

Approximate Finished Size: 7¾" w x 5½" h

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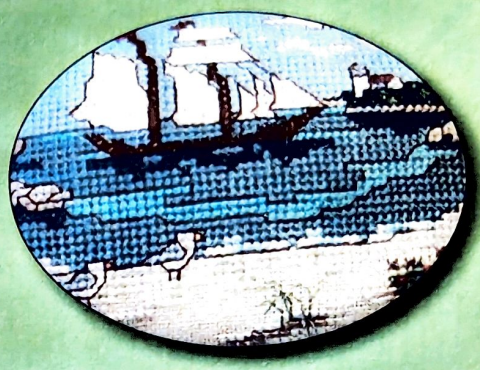
CROSS-STITCH CHARTS

CAPE COD GARDEN
The design is 10⅝" x 7¾" and stitched on 18-count Antique White Aida fabric.

Item		Retail	AA*
MNDSC01	Chart	$11.50	**$9.75**

GARDEN ANGEL
Design is 8" x 10½" and is stitched on 28-count Lambswool Jobelan.

Item		Retail	AA*
MNDSC06	Chart	$11.50	**$9.75**



SHINING SEA
Design is 3" x 4½" and is stitched on 32-count Lambswool Linen fabric.

Item		Retail	AA*
MNDSC07	Chart	$8.00	**$7.25**

PEGGY'S COVE
Design is 3" x 4½" and is stitched on 32-count Waterlily fabric.

Item		Retail	AA*
MNDSC08	Chart	$8.00	**$7.25**

CHRISTMAS COTTAGE ORNAMENTS
Three ornaments stitched on 18-count Bone/Bisque Aida fabric.

Item		Retail	AA*
MNDCC09	Chart	$13.50	**$12.25**

COUNTRY WEDDING SAMPLER
Design is 6¾" x 6½" and is stitched on 32-count Country French Latte linen.

Item		Retail	AA*
MNDSC20	Chart	$9.00	**$8.00**
MNDSC20KIT	Complete Kit	$45.99	**$39.99**

CAPE COD GIRLS
Design is 4¼" x 2½" on 32-count Metallic/Opalescent Belfast Linen.

Item		Retail	AA*
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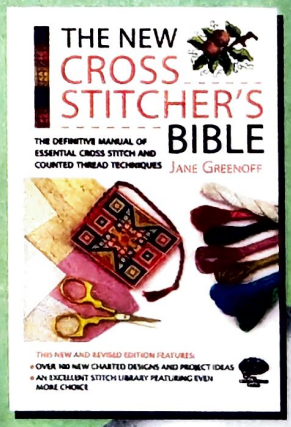

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Dove Anniversary Sampler

Design by Pamela Kellogg

Supply List
15" x 16" White 28-count Lugana
6-strand Embroidery Floss – DMC
Frame – Stephen's Frame Shop (515) 953-2100

Cross-stitch: 2 strands
French Knot: 2 strand wrapped two times
Backstitch: 1 strand
Instructions: Stitch design centered on fabric over two threads.

DMC		
309	↓ ↓	Rose, Dk.
310	› ›	Black
319	→ →	Pistachio Green, Vy. Dk.
320	| |	Pistachio Green, Med.
335	T T	Rose
367	▲ ▲	Pistachio Green, Dk.
368	◢ ◢	Pistachio Green, Lt.
369	V V	Pistachio Green, Vy. Lt.
775	◆ ◆	Baby Blue, Vy. Lt.
783	⁄ ⁄	Topaz, Med.
818	– –	Baby Pink
890	Y Y	Pistachio Green, Ultra Dk.
899	L L	Rose, Med.
3078	• •	Golden Yellow, Vy. Lt.
3325	◄ ◄	Baby Blue, Lt.
3326	O O	Rose, Lt.
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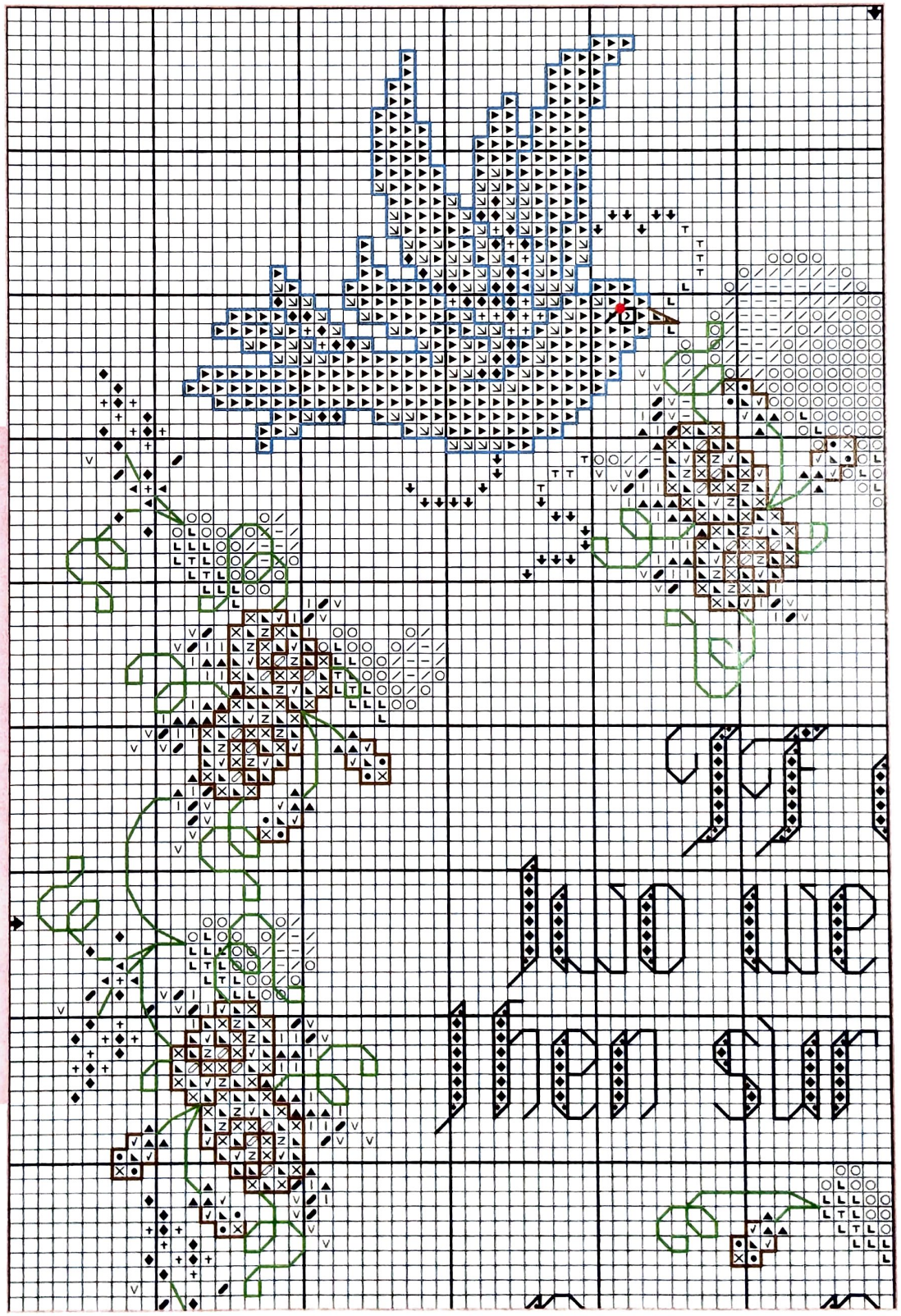
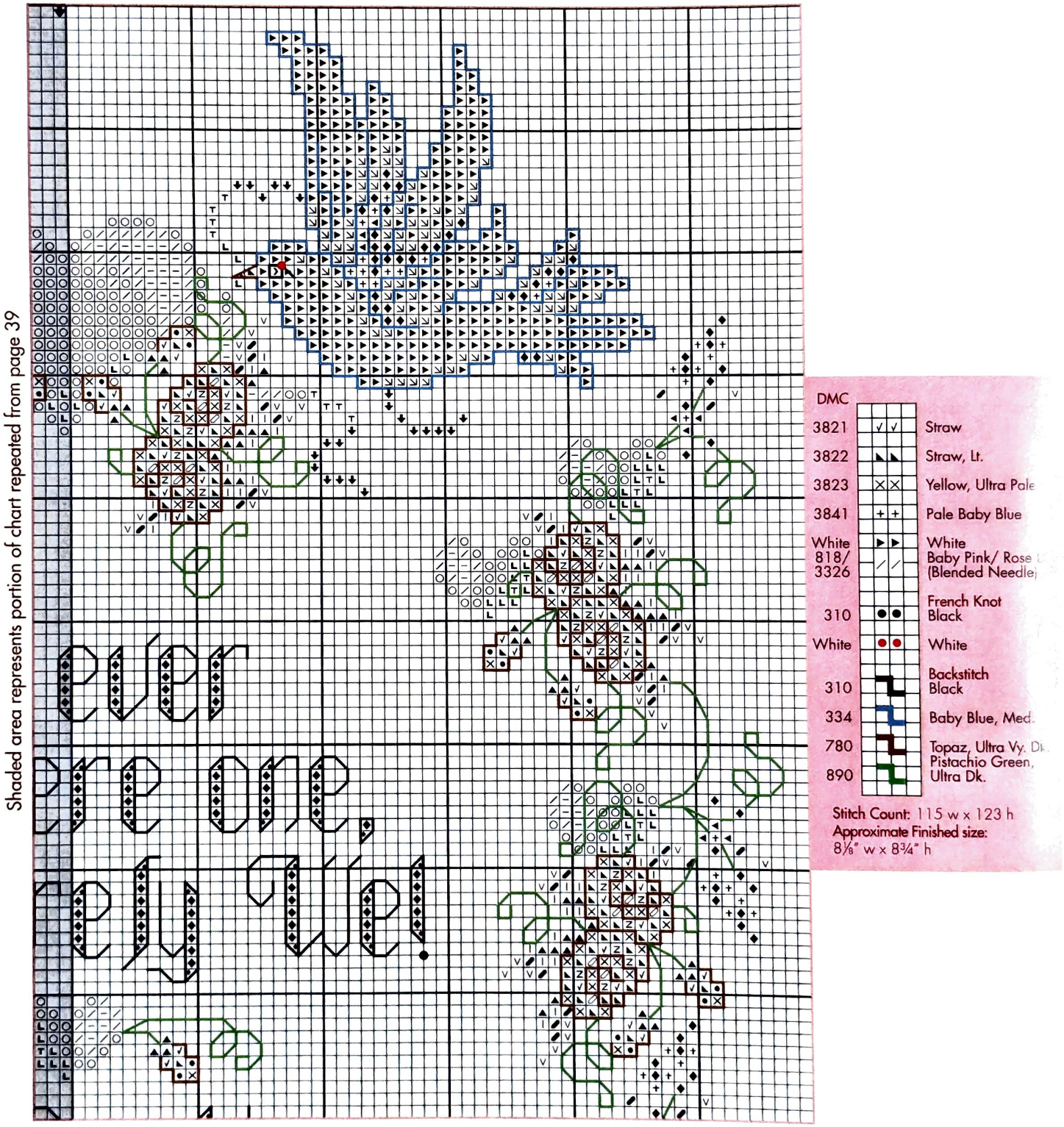
3820	Z Z	Straw, Dk.

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DMC
3821 Straw
3822 Straw, Lt.
3823 Yellow, Ultra Pale
3841 Pale Baby Blue
White 818/ 3326 White Baby Pink/ Rose (Blended Needle)
310 French Knot Black
White White
310 Backstitch Black
334 Baby Blue, Med.
780 Topaz, Ultra Vy. Dk.
890 Pistachio Green, Ultra Dk.
Stitch Count: 115 w x 123 h
Approximate Finished size:
8⅛" w x 8¾" h

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cross-stitch charts

Item		Retail	AA*
RBLGH22	Drum Point	$8.95	$8.50

Stitched on 15" x16" 14-count Light Blue Aida fabric.

Item		Retail	AA*
RBLGH10	Holland Harbor	$9.50	$8.50

Stitched on 18-count White Aida fabric.

Item		Retail	AA*
RBLGH11	Portland Headlight	$8.95	$8.50

Stitched on 18-count White Aida fabric.

Item		Retail	AA*
RBLGH13	Hatteras Lighthouse	$8.95	$8.50

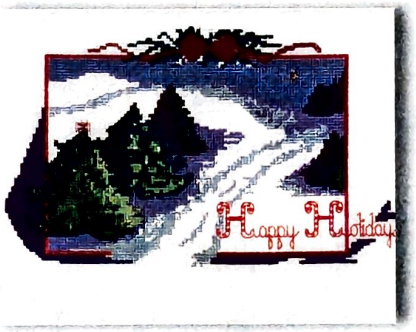
Stitched on 14" x 17" 14-count Light Blue Aida fabric.

Item		Retail	AA*
RBLGH30	Old Point Loma	$8.95	$8.50

Stitched on 15" x 15" 16-count White Aida fabric.

Item		Retail	AA*
RB083	Butterfly	$8.95	$8.50

Stitched on 18-count White Aida fabric.



Item		Retail	AA*
RB087	Happy Holidays	$8.95	$8.50

Stitched on 18-count White Aida fabric.

Item		Retail	AA*
RB092	Covered Bridge	$8.95	$8.50

Stitched on 18-count White Aida fabric.

Item		Retail	AA*
RB134	Freedom	$8.95	$8.50

Stitched on 14-count Light Blue Aida fabric.

Item		Retail	AA*
RB156	The Deck	$8.95	$8.50

Stitched on 16-count White Aida fabric.

Item		Retail	AA*
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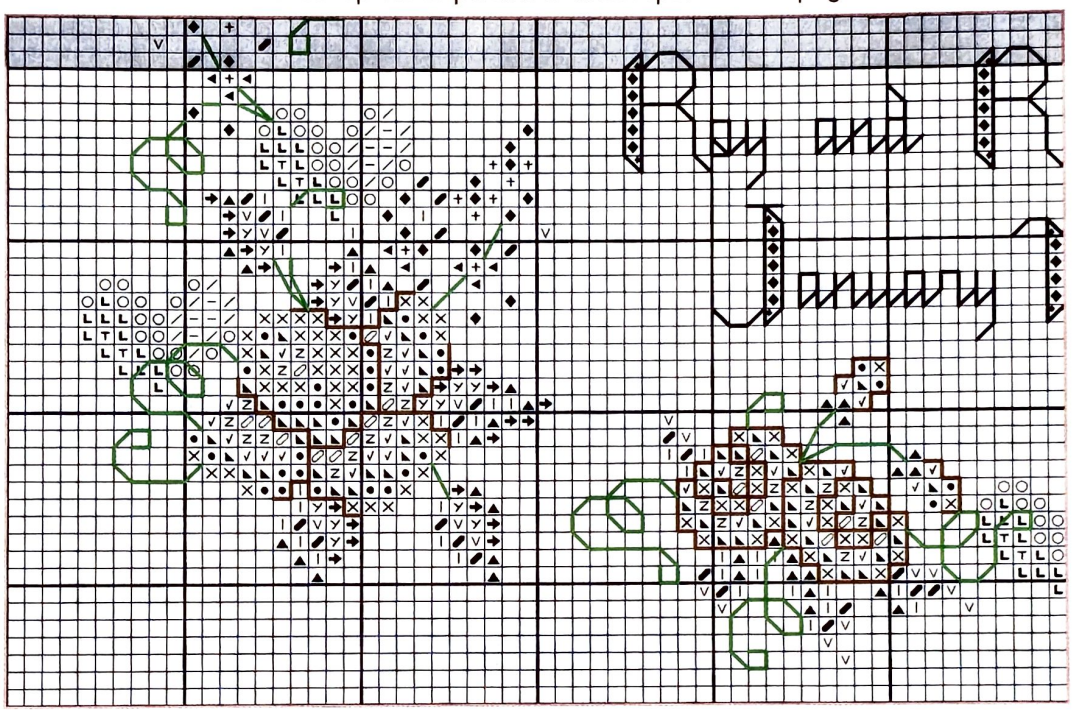

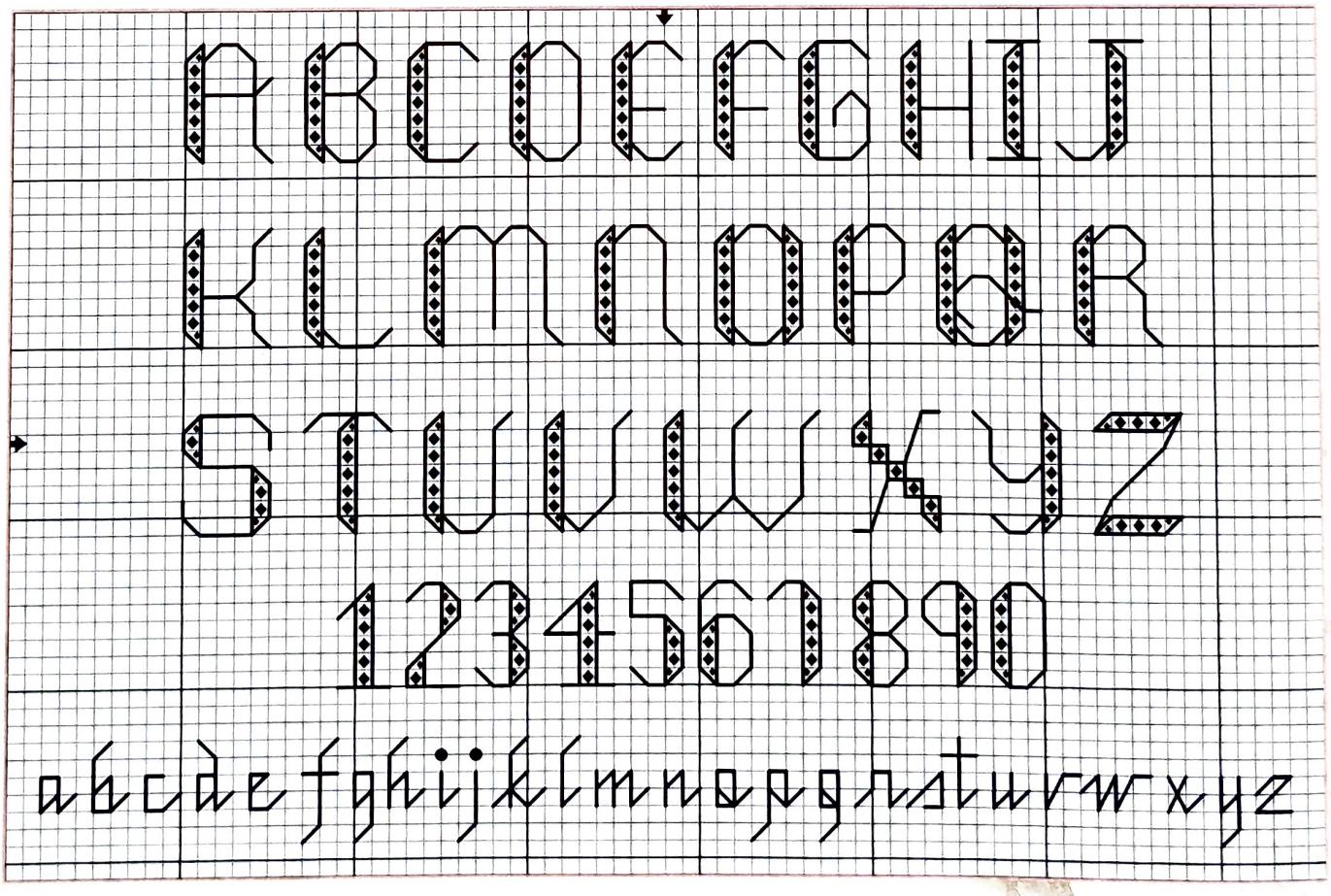

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STITCHING TIPS AND TRICKS

Use A Lap Desk

I use a lap desk when I'm sitting on the couch. I put a metal chart holder with a magnetic line magnifier to hold the chart on the holder and mark my place on the chart. This sits on my lap desk.

Donna
Lindenhurst NY

Ending Your Stitching

When you get to the end of your floss and you don't have enough left to secure the floss, run your needle eye of the needle under the finished row. As you ease your needle out (eye first), the floss stays properly buried. Try it!!!! It really does work.

Jeanne
Barnesville GA

Start Your Stitching

When your cross-stitching uses two strand of floss, take a strand of floss about two feet long and put the two ends of the floss together making one foot of floss. Put the two strands together through the eye of the needle. Start with your needle coming up from the backside of your favorite. About half way through the fabric send your needle through to the wrong side of the fabric. Separate the two strands of floss and put your needle through the loop that is on the wrong side. Pull your needle until you have your floss fastened and continue stitching from this point.

Lulu
Ephrata PA

Mark Your Grid

I use a water soluble marker to grid my fabric before I begin to stitch. I have heard that some use floss/thread to grid their fabric, but for me the water soluble marker is quicker and easier! I make less mistakes and it is easier counting, too. When I'm done with the project, the grid lines are easily removed with just water.

Colleen
Owego NY

Napping Bears

EZ to Stitch

Design by Ursula Michael

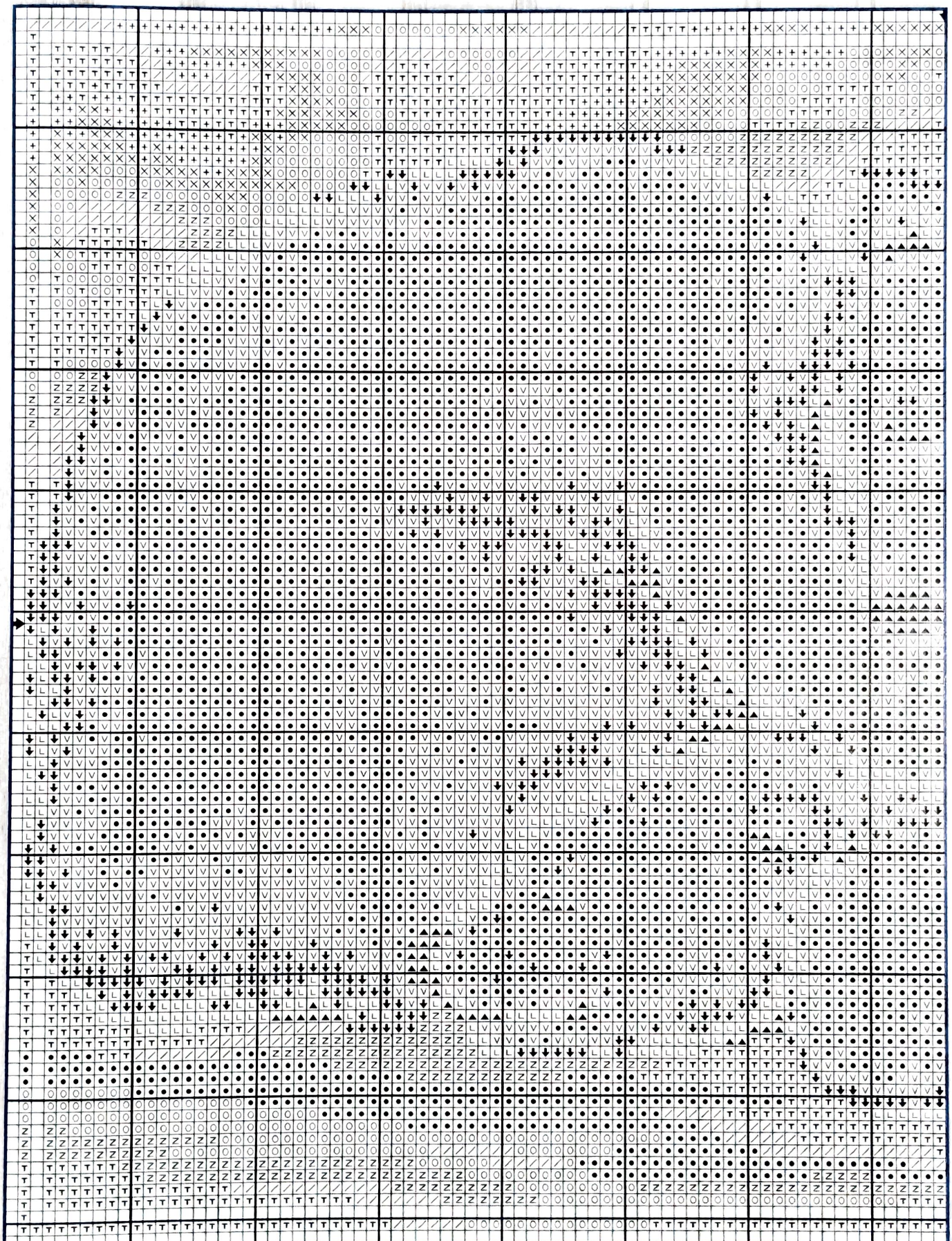
Wouldn't you love to have these two cuddly bears in your home? This is an easy to stitch piece, so grab your needle and begin stitching now.

Supply List
17" x 14" White 14-count Aida
6-strand Embroidery Floss – DMC
Frame – Stephen's Frame Shop (515) 953-2100

Cross-stitch: 2 strands
Instructions: Stitch design centered on fabric.

DMC		
White	• •	White
164	o o	Forest Green, Lt.
310	▲ ▲	Black
413	L L	Pewter Gray, Dk.
414	↓ ↓	Steel Gray, Dk.
415	V V	Pearl Gray
727	X X	Topaz, Vy. Lt.
3609	+ +	Plum, Ultra Lt.
3838	T T	Lavender Blue, Dk.
3839	/ /	Lavender Blue, Med.
3840	Z Z	Lavender Blue, Lt.

Stitch Count: 150 w x 100 h
Approximate Finished Size: 10⅝" w x 7⅛" h



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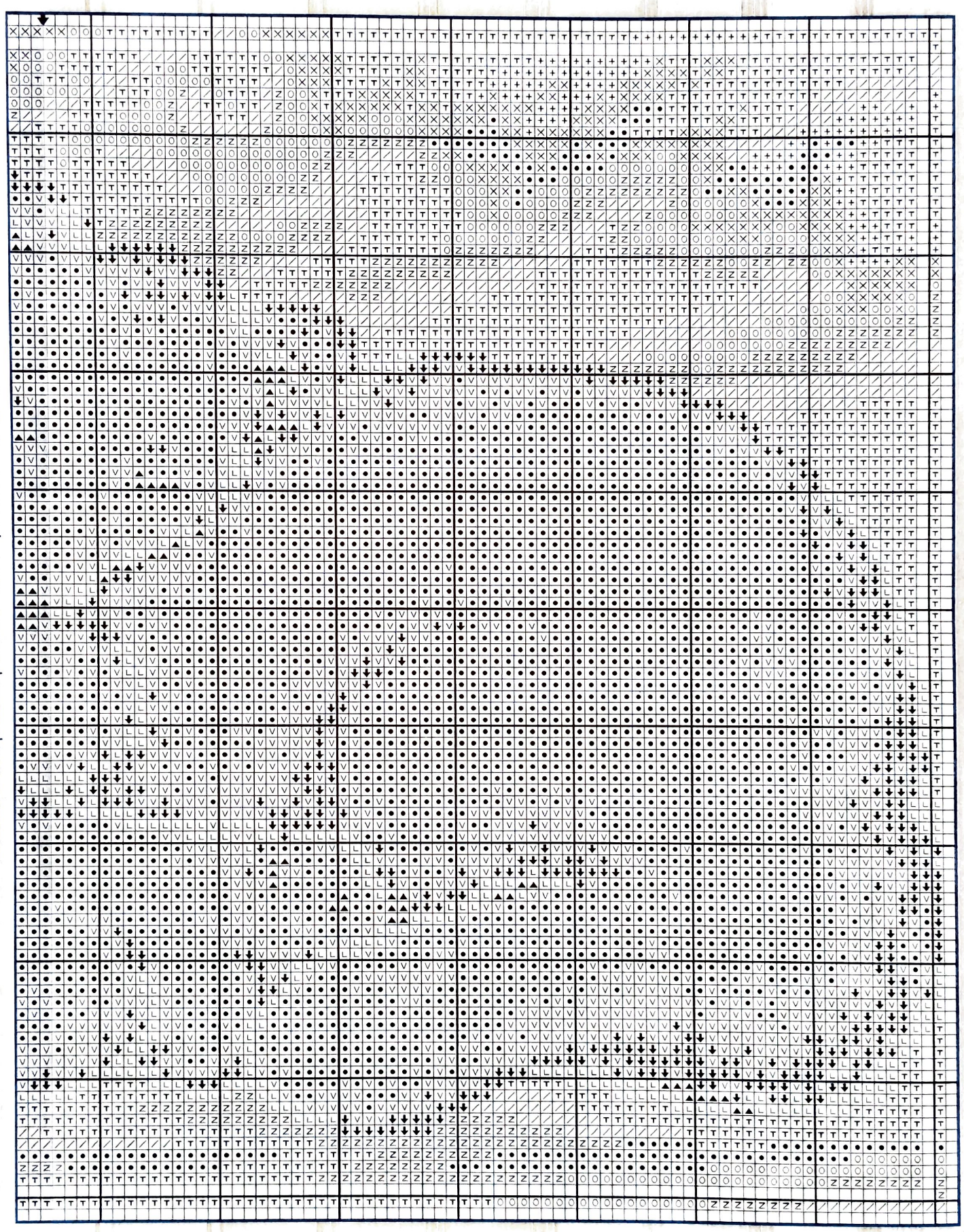

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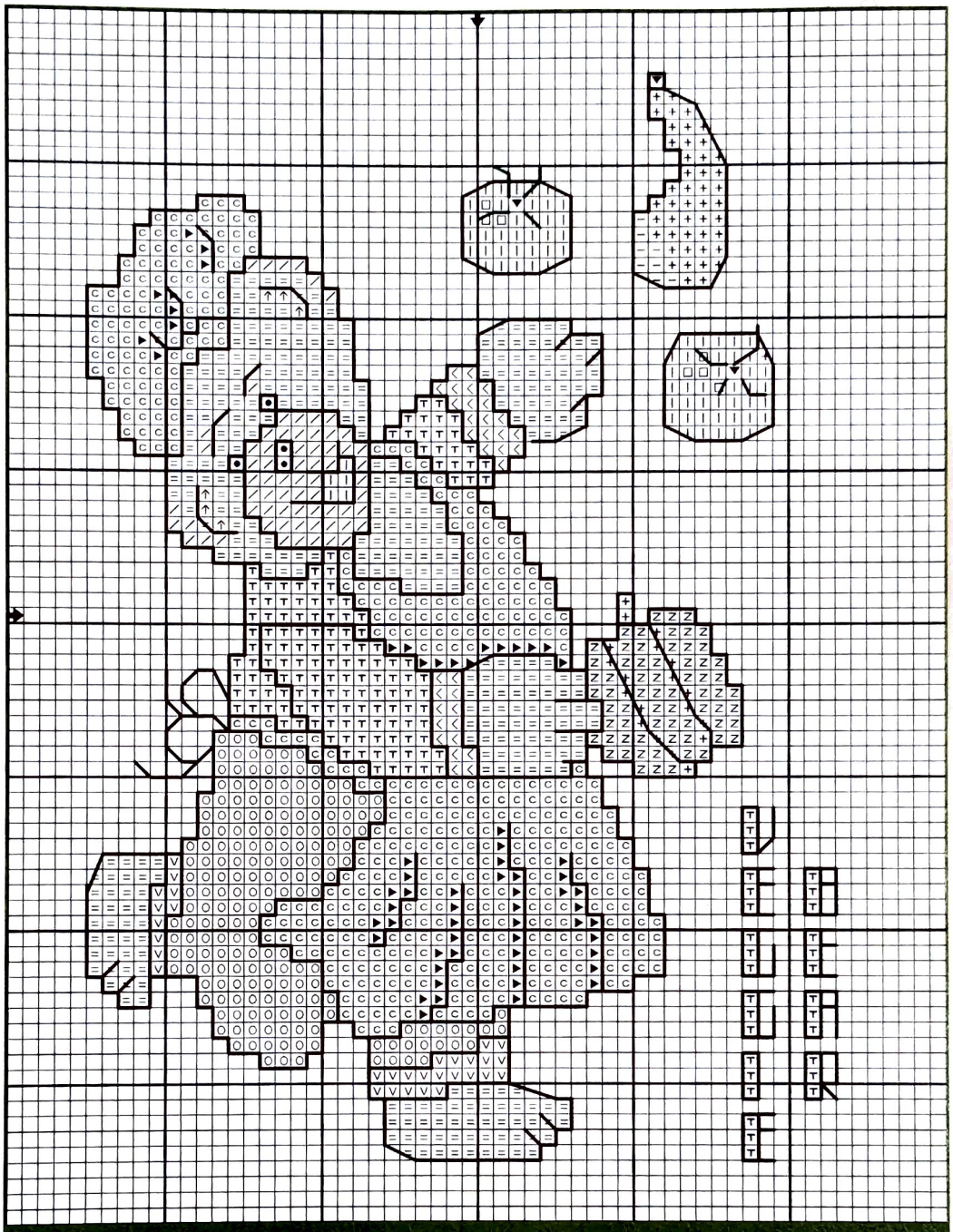
Veggie Bear Towel

Design by Bennie Harmon

Supply List
White Kitchen Showcase Huck Towel with 14-count inset – Charles Craft
6-strand Embroidery Floss – DMC

Cross-stitch: 2 strands
Backstitch: 1 strand
Instructions: Stitch design centered on inset.



DMC

301	↑ ↑	Mahogany, Med.
402	= =	Mahogany, Vy. Lt.
666	| |	Bright Christmas Red
762	▶ ▶	Pearl Gray, Vy. Lt.
798	v v	Delft Blue, Dk.
799	o o	Delft Blue, Med.
910	+ +	Emerald Green, Dk.
911	z z	Emerald Green, Med.
954	– –	Nile Green
963	< <	Dusty Rose, Ultra Vy. Lt.
3371	• •	Black Brown
3705	□ □	Melon, Dk.
3716	T T	Dusty Rose, Vy. Lt.
3818	▼ ▼	Emerald Green, Ultra Vy. Dk.
3856	/ /	Mahogany, Ultra Vy. Lt.
White	c c	White

Backstitch

3371		Black Brown
3818		Emerald Green, Ultra Vy. Dk.

Stitch Count: 48 w x 71 h
Approximate Finished Size: 3⅛" w x 5" h

MASTERPIECE
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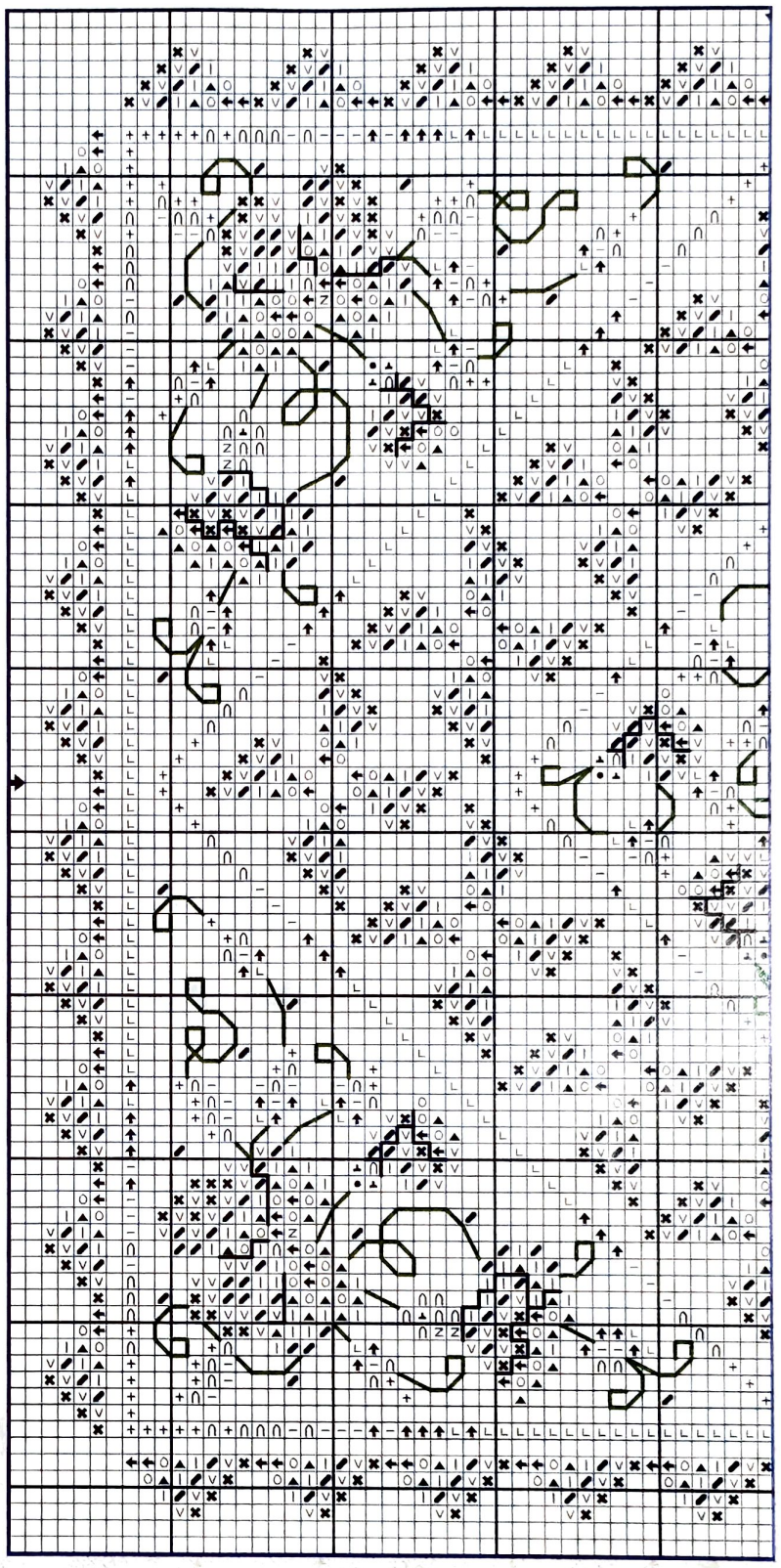
Violet Garden Quilt

Design by Pamela Kellogg

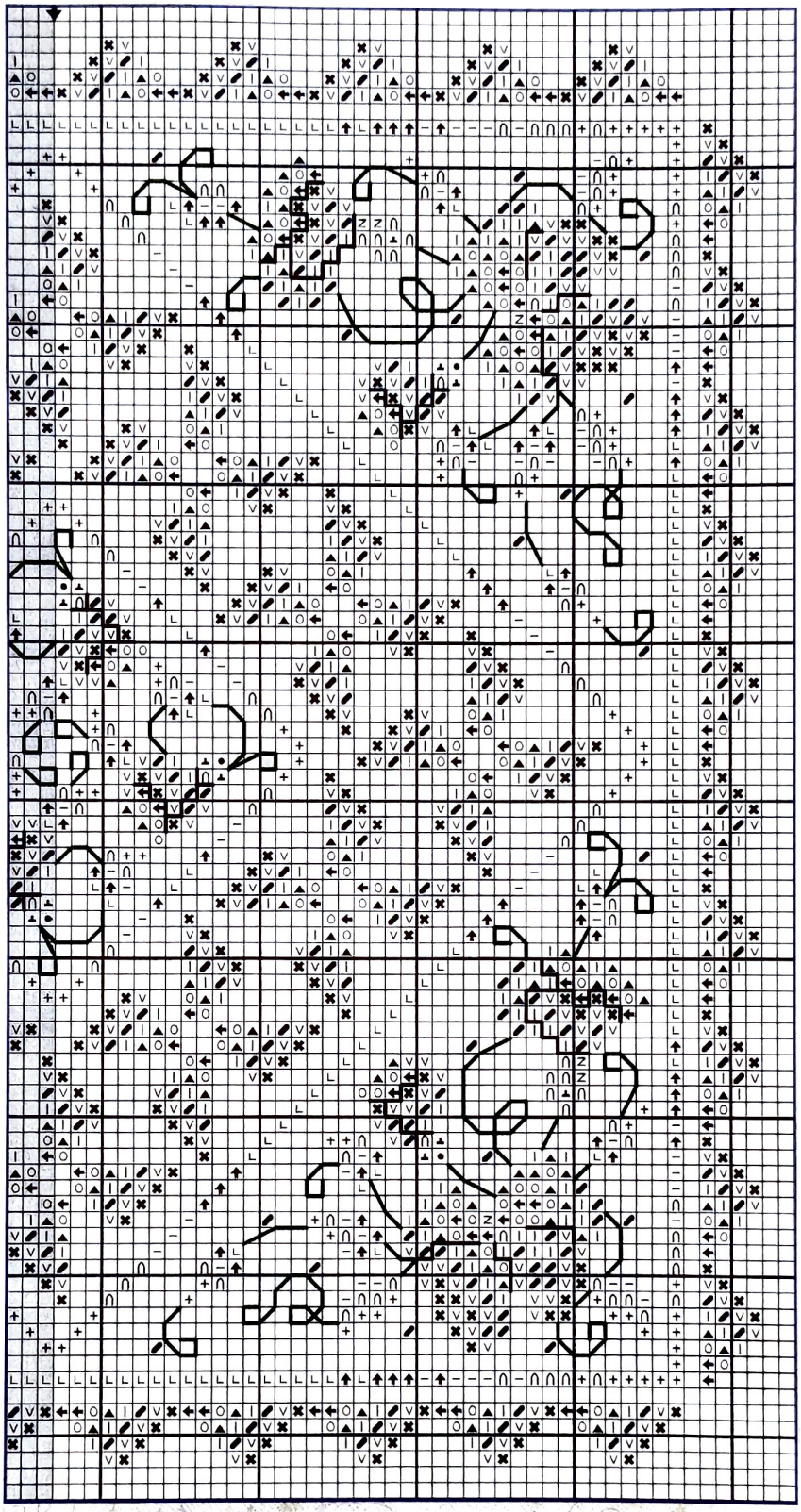
I'm a quilter and this piece is a quilt I must have for my house. How 'bout you?

Supply List
13" x 13" White 28-count Lugana
6-strand Embroidery Floss – DMC
Frame – Stephen's Frame Shop (515) 953-2100



DMC		
333	← ←	Blue Violet, Vy. Dk.
340	▲ ▲	Blue Violet, Med.
341	| |	Blue Violet, Lt.
676	⊥ ⊥	Old Gold, Lt.
677	• •	Old Gold, Vy. Lt.
680	Z Z	Old Gold, Dk.
729	∩ ∩	Old Gold, Med.
772	+ +	Yellow Green, Vy. Lt.
775	V V	Baby Blue, Vy. Lt.
3345	L L	Hunter Green, Dk.
3346	↑ ↑	Hunter Green
3347	– –	Yellow Green, Med.
3348	∩ ∩	Yellow Green, Lt.
3746	O O	Blue Violet. Dk.
3747	⁄ ⁄	Blue Violet, Vy. Lt.
3756	✖ ✖	Baby Blue, Ultra Vy. Lt.
		Backstitch
333		Blue Violet, Vy. Dk.
3345		Hunter Green, Dk.

Stitch Count: 90 w x 90 h
Approximate Finished Size: $6^{3}/_{8}$" w x $6^{3}/_{8}$" h



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Cross-stitch: 2 strands
Backstitch: 1 strand
Instructions: Stitch design centered on fabric over two threads.

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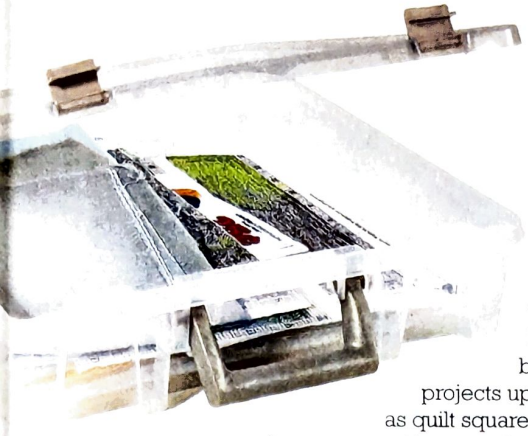

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Item		Retail	AA*
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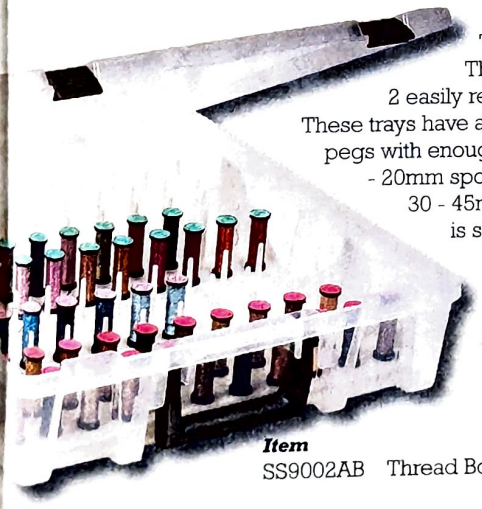
Item		Retail	AA*
SS6865AT	Slim Tarnish Inhibiting Storage Box	$15.99	**$14.99**



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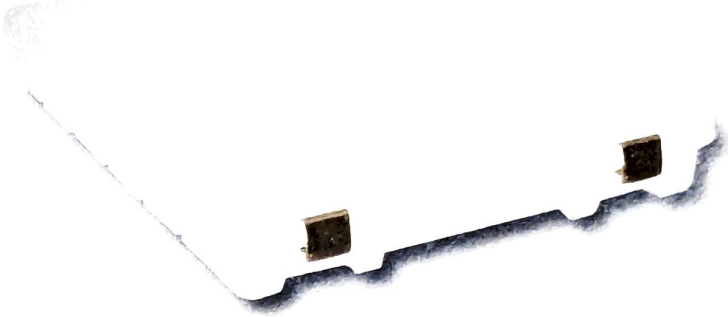
Item		Retail	AA*
SS9002AB	Thread Box	$22.99	**$21.49**



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Item		Retail	AA*
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Item		Retail	AA*
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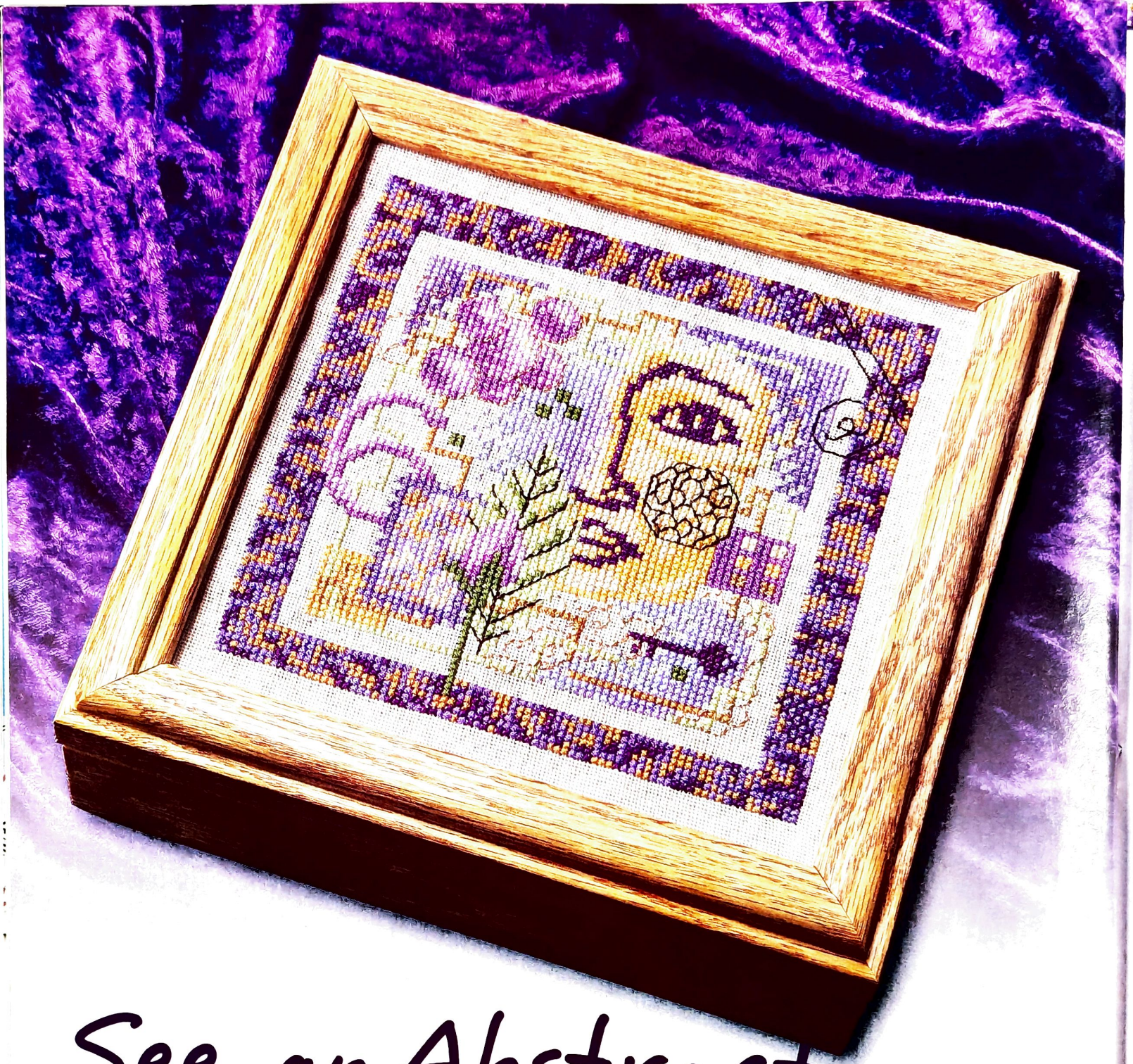
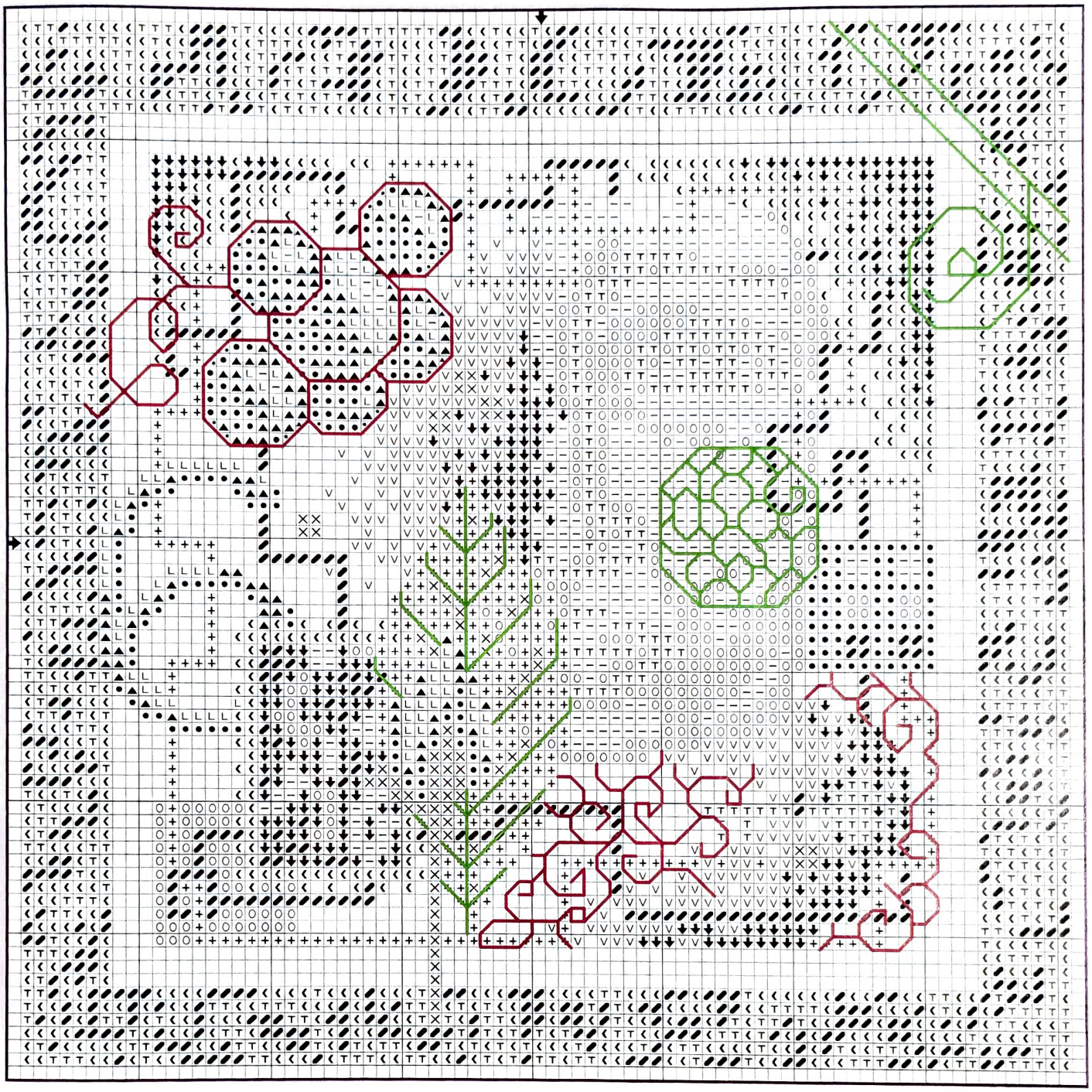


See, an Abstract

Design by Ursula Michael

Supply List
12" x 12" Mushroom 28-count Jazlyn – Zweigart
6-strand Embroidery Floss – DMC
#4 Braid – Kreinik Mfg. Co., Inc.
Frame – Stephen's Frame Shop (515) 953-2100

Cross-stitch: 2 strands
Backstitch: 1 strand
Instructions: Stitch design centered on fabric over two threads.



DMC		
208	• •	Lavender, Vy. Dk.
209	▲ ▲	Lavender, Dk.
210	L L	Lavender, Med.
340	↓ ↓	Blue Violet, Med.
341	V V	Blue Violet, Lt.
435	/ /	Brown, Vy. Lt.
469	X X	Avocado Green
550	T T	Violet, Vy. Lt.
738	– –	Tan, Vy. Lt.
977	O O	Golden Brown, Lt.
3348	+ +	Yellow Green, Lt.
3746	‹ ‹	Blue Violet, Dk.
Kreinik #4 Braid 022		Backstitch Brown
Kreinik #4 Braid 127		Yellow Orange

Stitch Count: 80 w x 79 h

Approximate Finished Size: $5^{5}/_{8}$" w x $5^{5}/_{8}$" h

HAPPY
HOLIDAYS

GINKGO TOWEL

Design by Ursula Michael
Courtesy of Charles Craft

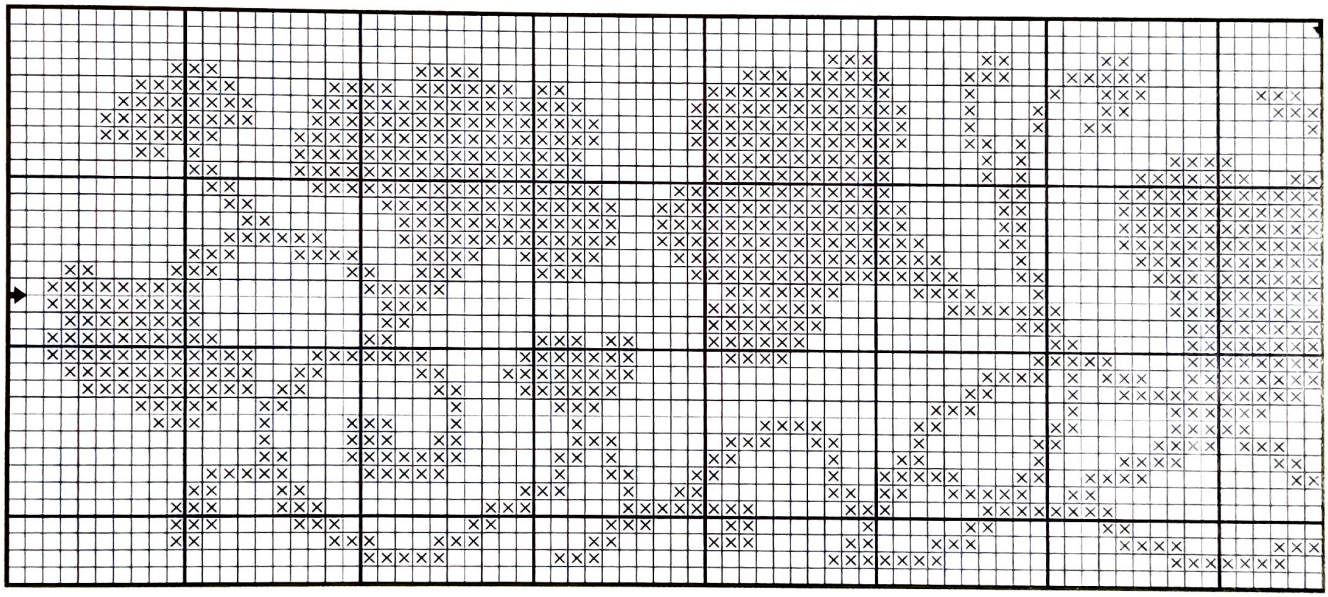
Supply List

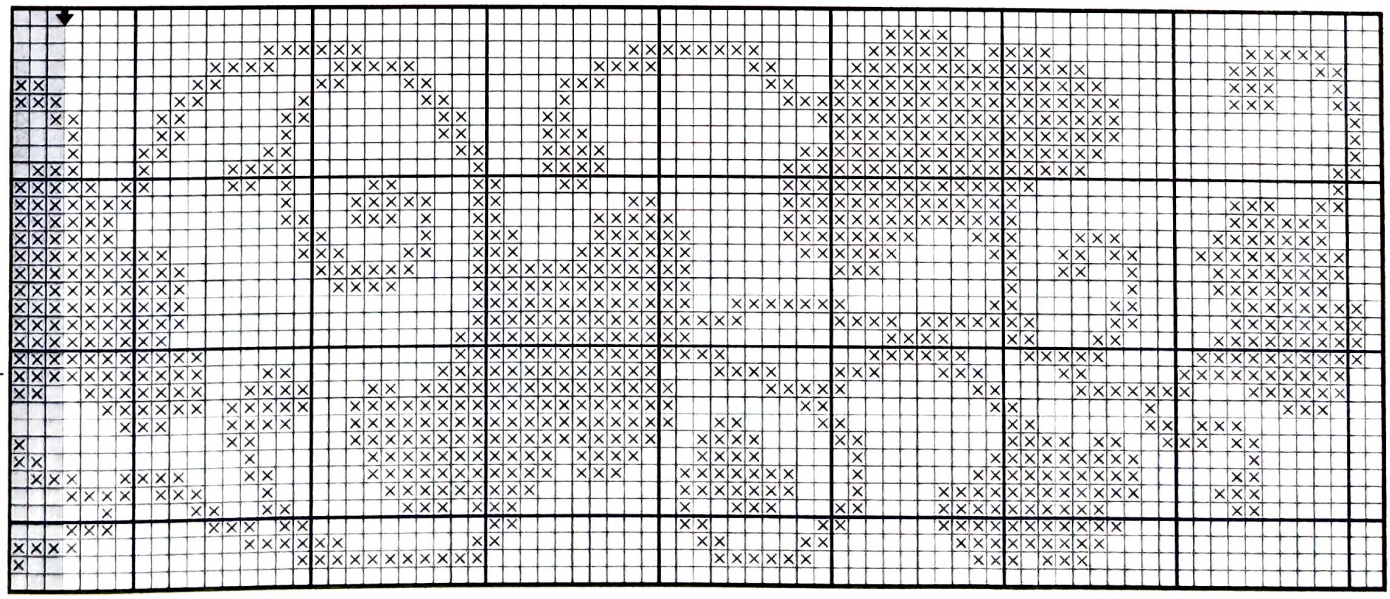
Ecru Fingertip Towel with Aida Inset – Charles Craft
12 Wt. Blendables 100% Cotton - Sulky

Cross-stitch: 2 strands
Instructions: Stitch design centered on inset.

Sulky
713-4020 Moss Medley

Stitch Count: 150 w x 32 h
Approximate Finished Size: 10⅝" w x 2¼" h





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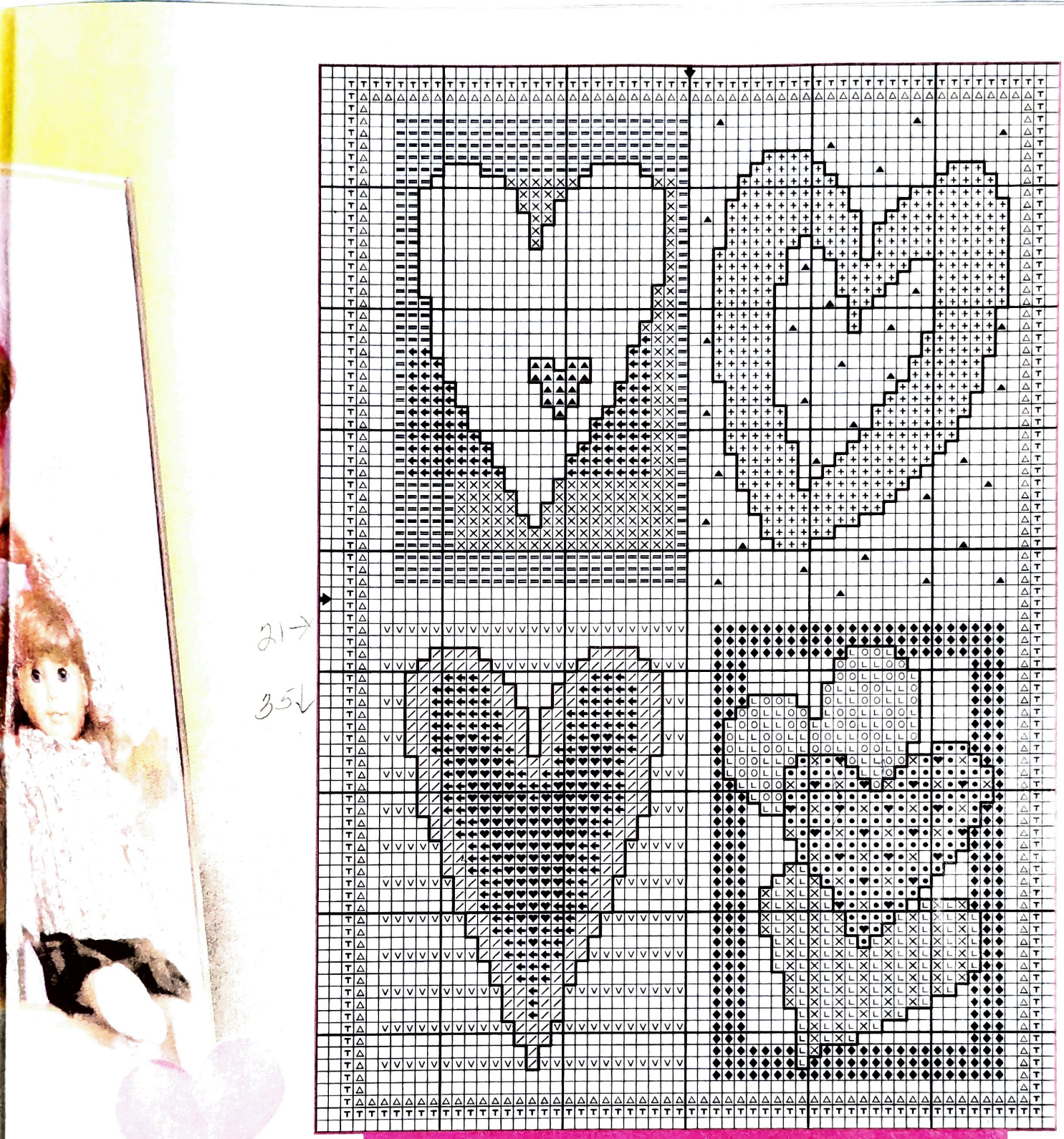
Hearts, Hearts, Hearts

Design by Alice Okon | Courtesy of DMC®

Supply List
10" x 13" Blissful Blue – DMC
6-strand Embroidery Floss - DMC
Acrylic Frame

Cross-stitch: 2 strands
Backstitch: 1 strand
Instructions: Stitch design centered on fabric.



DMC

156	= =	Blue Violet, Med. Lt.
165	X X	Moss Green, Vy. Lt.
318	△ △	Steel Gray, Lt.
415	T T	Pearl Gray
603	▲ ▲	Cranberry
747	O O	Sky Blue, Vy. Lt.
807	◆ ◆	Peacock Blue
963	/ /	Dusty Rose, Ultra Vy. Lt.
3325	V V	Baby Blue, Lt.
3706	♥ ♥	Melon, Med.
3708	← ←	Melon, Lt.
3766	L L	Peacock Blue, Lt.
CV 4180	+ +	Pink Color Variations
White	• •	White
		Backstitch
317	▙ ▙	Pewter Gray

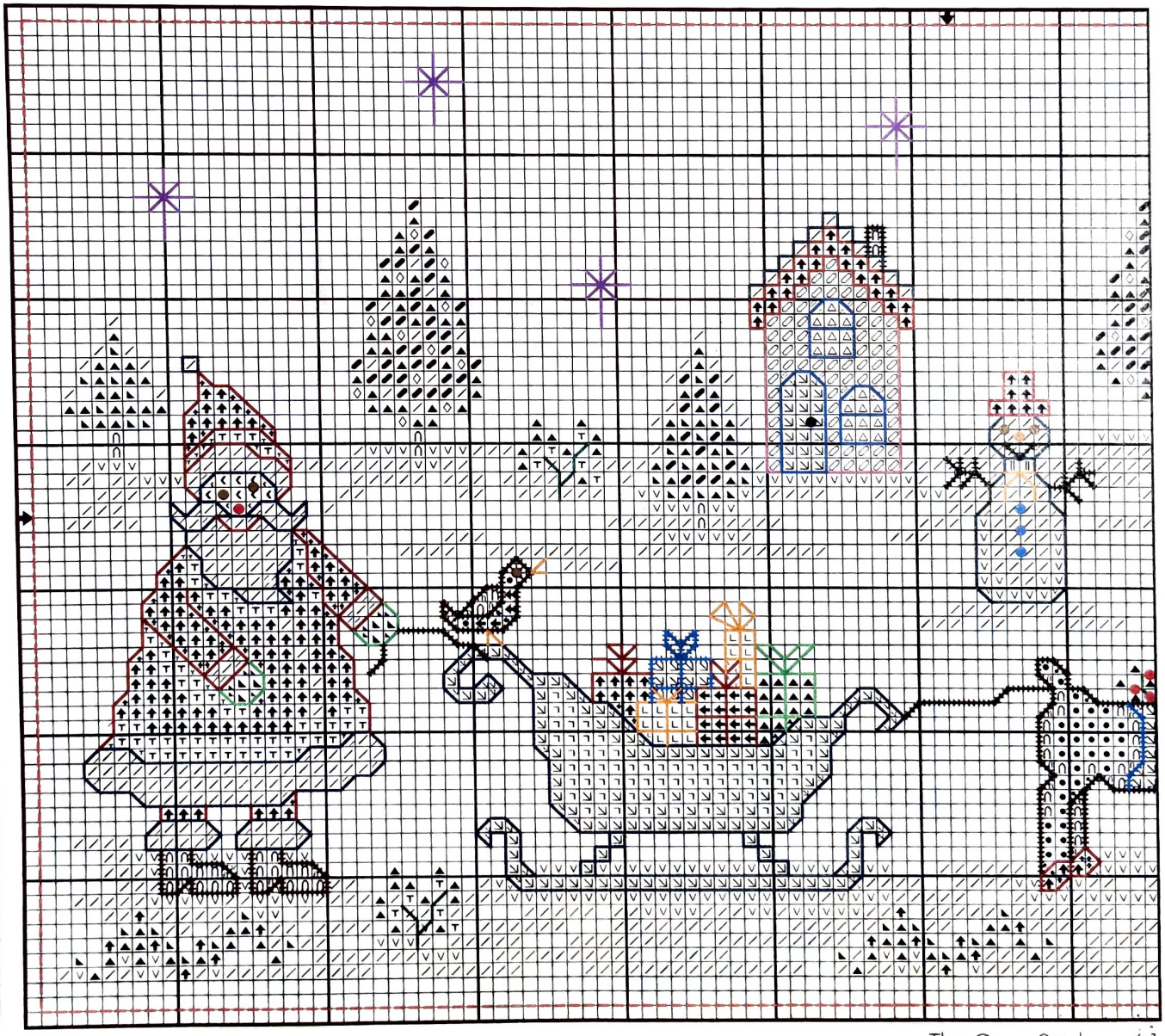
Stitch Count: 57 w x 86 h
Approximate Finished Size: 4" w x 6⅛" h

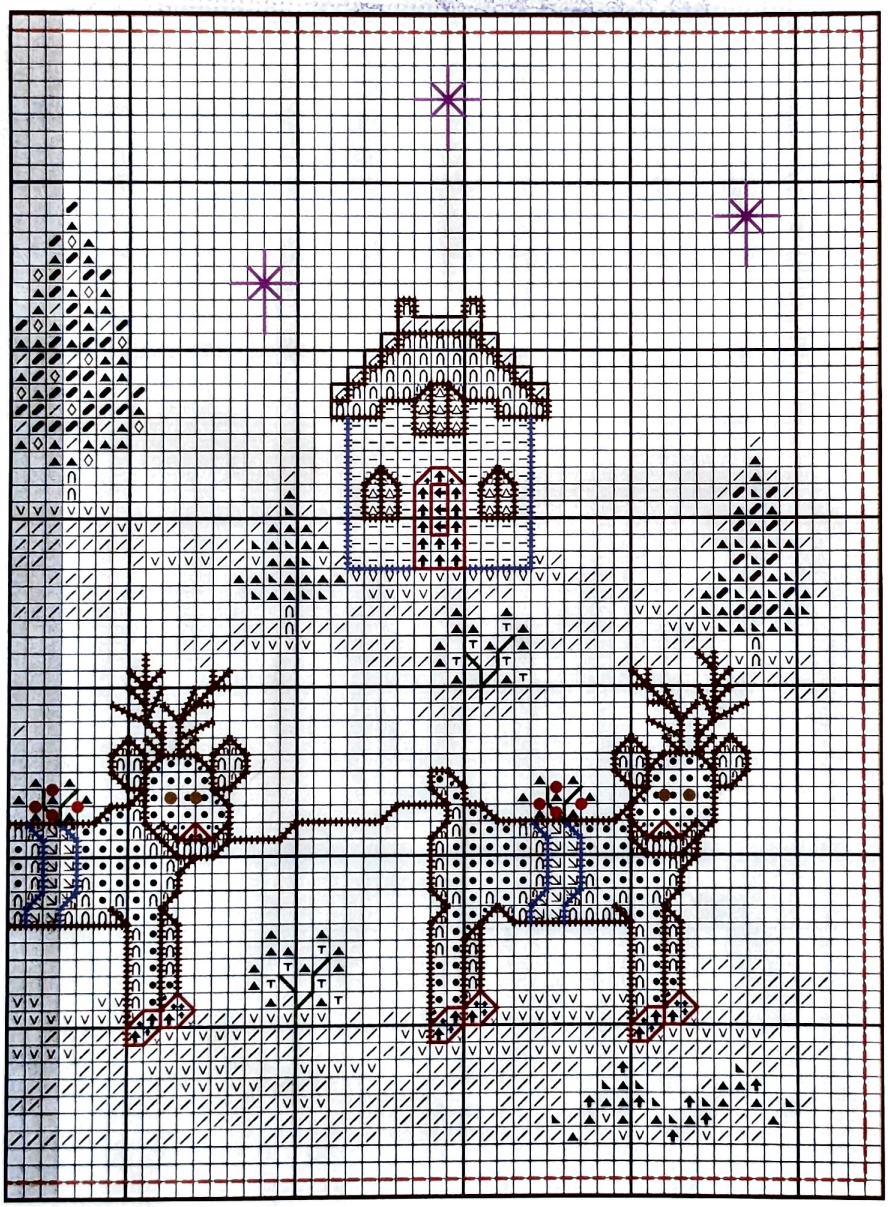
Santa's Magic Sleigh

Design by Cathy Bussi

Supply List
15" x 10" Barely Blue 28-count Jobelan
6-strand Embroidery Floss – DMC
Silver Blending Filament – Kreinik Mfg. Co., Inc.
Frame – Stephen's Frame Shop (515) 953-2100

Cross-stitch: 2 strands floss or 1 strand floss & 2 strands blending filament
French Knot: 1 strand wrapped two times
Backstitch: 1 strand or 1 strand floss & 2 strands blending filament
Instructions: Stitch design centered on fabric over two threads.





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DMC	
347	Salmon, Vy. Dk.
502	Blue Green
744	Pale Yellow
762	Pearl Gray, Vy. Lt.
840	Beige Brown, Med.
841	Beige Brown, Lt.
3328	Salmon, Dk.
3712	Salmon, Med.
3774	Desert Sand, Vy. Lt.
3816	Celadon Green, Med.
3817	Celadon Green, Lt.
3839	Lavender Blue, Med.
3840	Lavender Blue, Lt.
3841	Pale Baby Blue
3854	Autumn Gold, Med.
3855	Autumn Gold, Lt.
3865	Winter White
B5200	Snow White
B5200/Blending Filament 001	Snow White/Silver
	French Knot
792	Cornflower Blue, Dk.
839	Beige Brown, Dk.
922	Copper, Lt.
3328	Salmon, Dk.
3839	Lavender Blue, Med.
	Backstitch
347	Salmon, Vy. Dk.
414	Steel Gray, Dk.
502	Blue Green
792	Cornflower Blue, Dk.
839	Beige Brown, Dk.
841	Beige Brown, Lt.
3328	Salmon, Dk.
3815	Celadon Green, Dk.
3838	Lavender Blue, Dk.
3854	Autumn Gold, Med.
B5200/Blending Filament 001	Snow White/Silver

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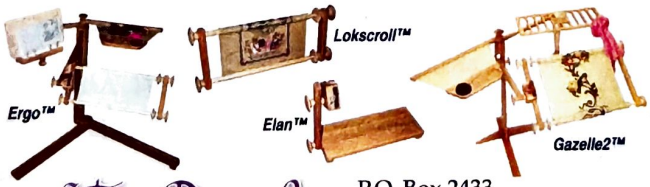

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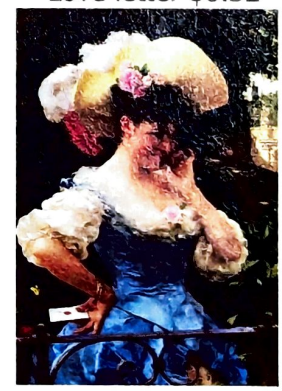

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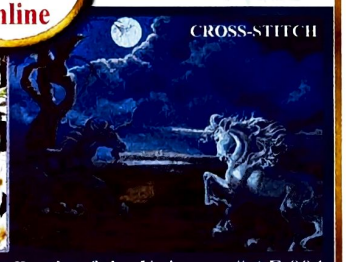

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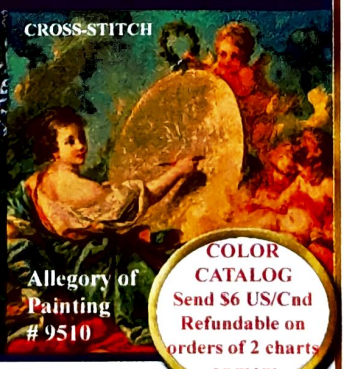

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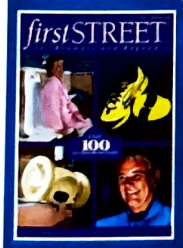

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